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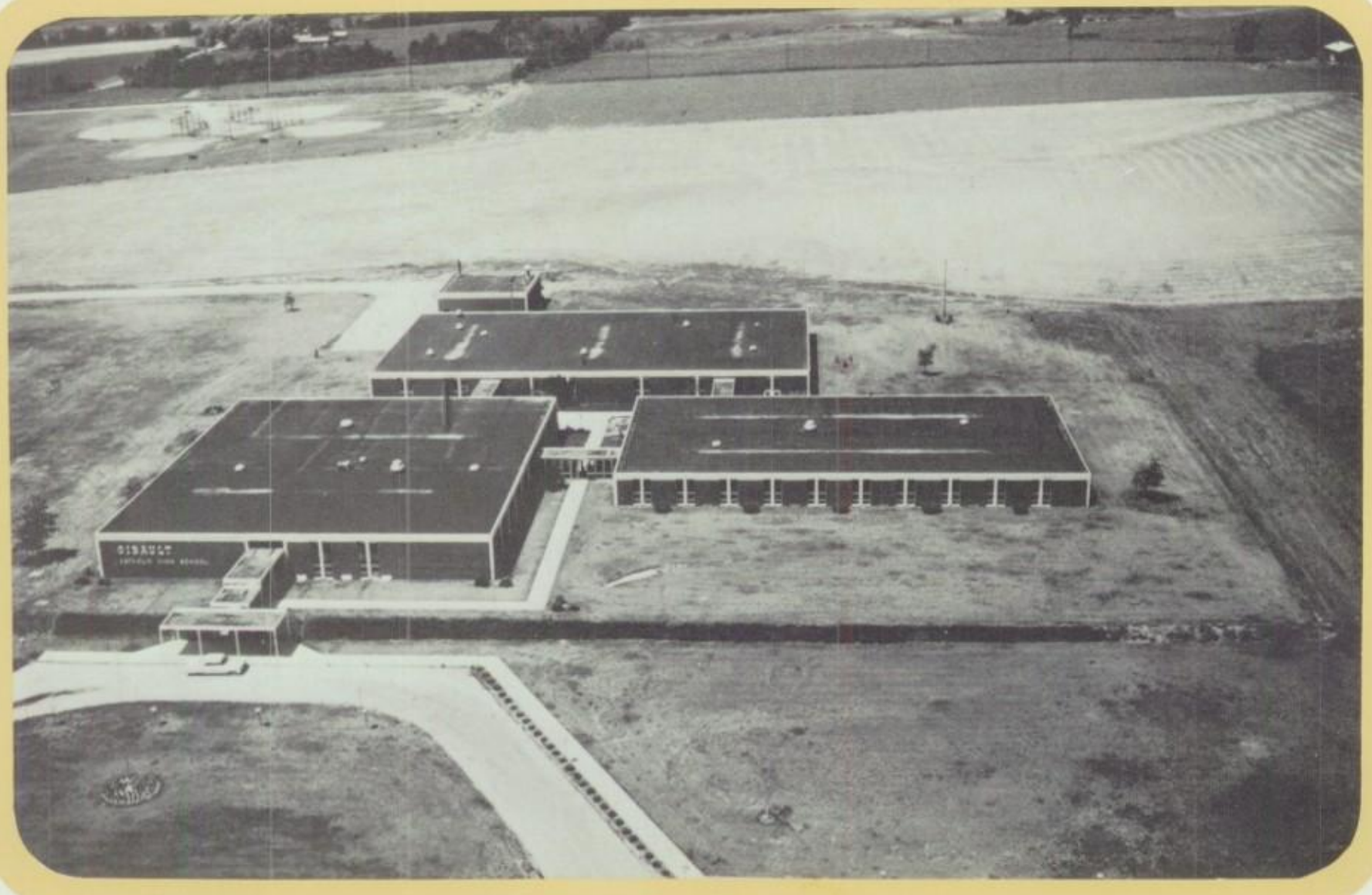

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A Generation Comes,
Yet The Earth Stands
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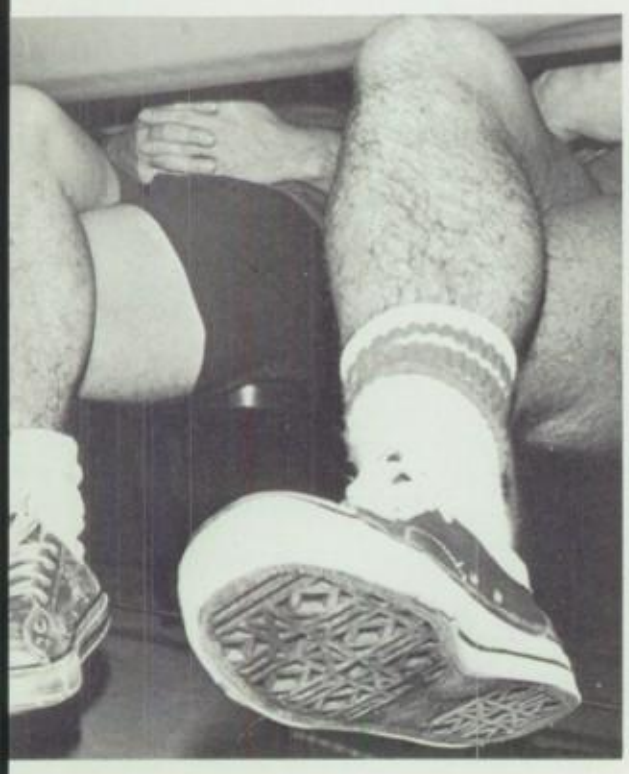

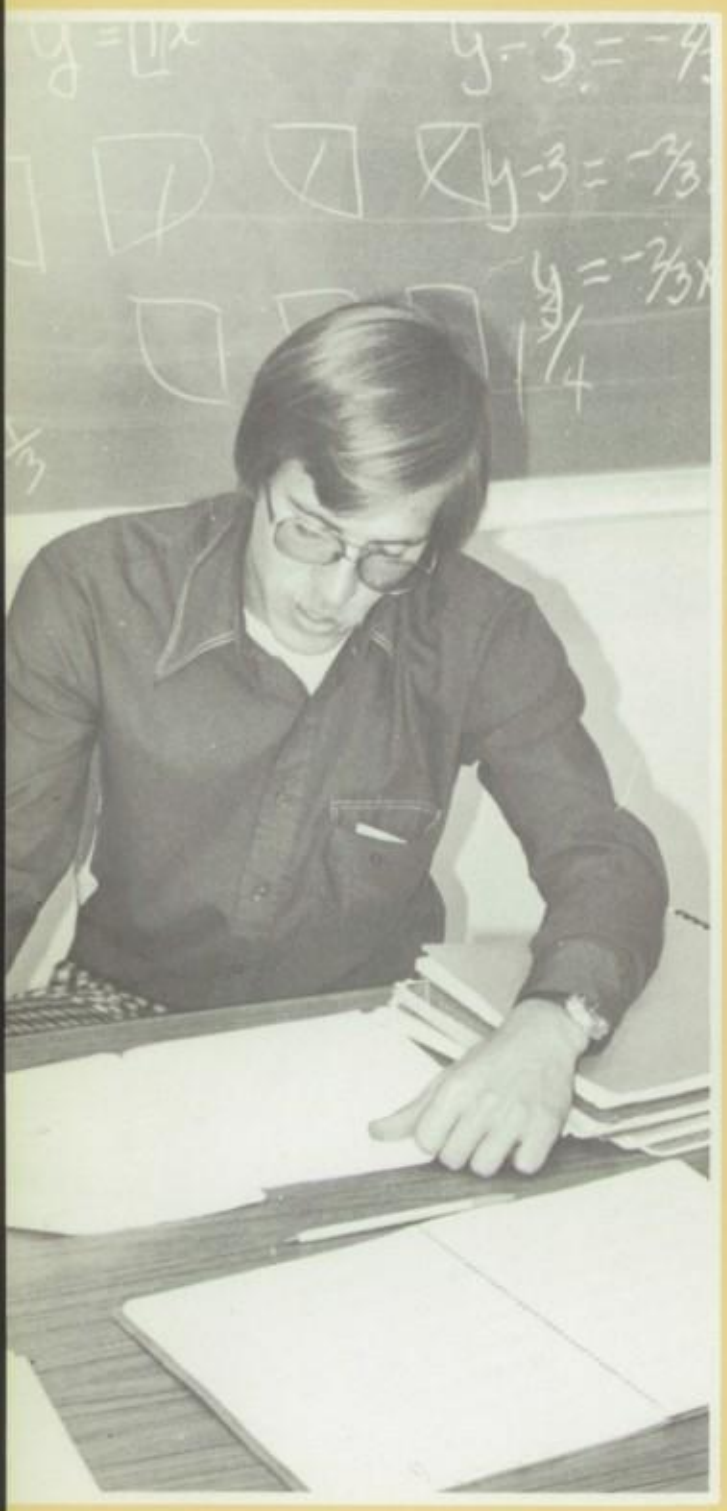

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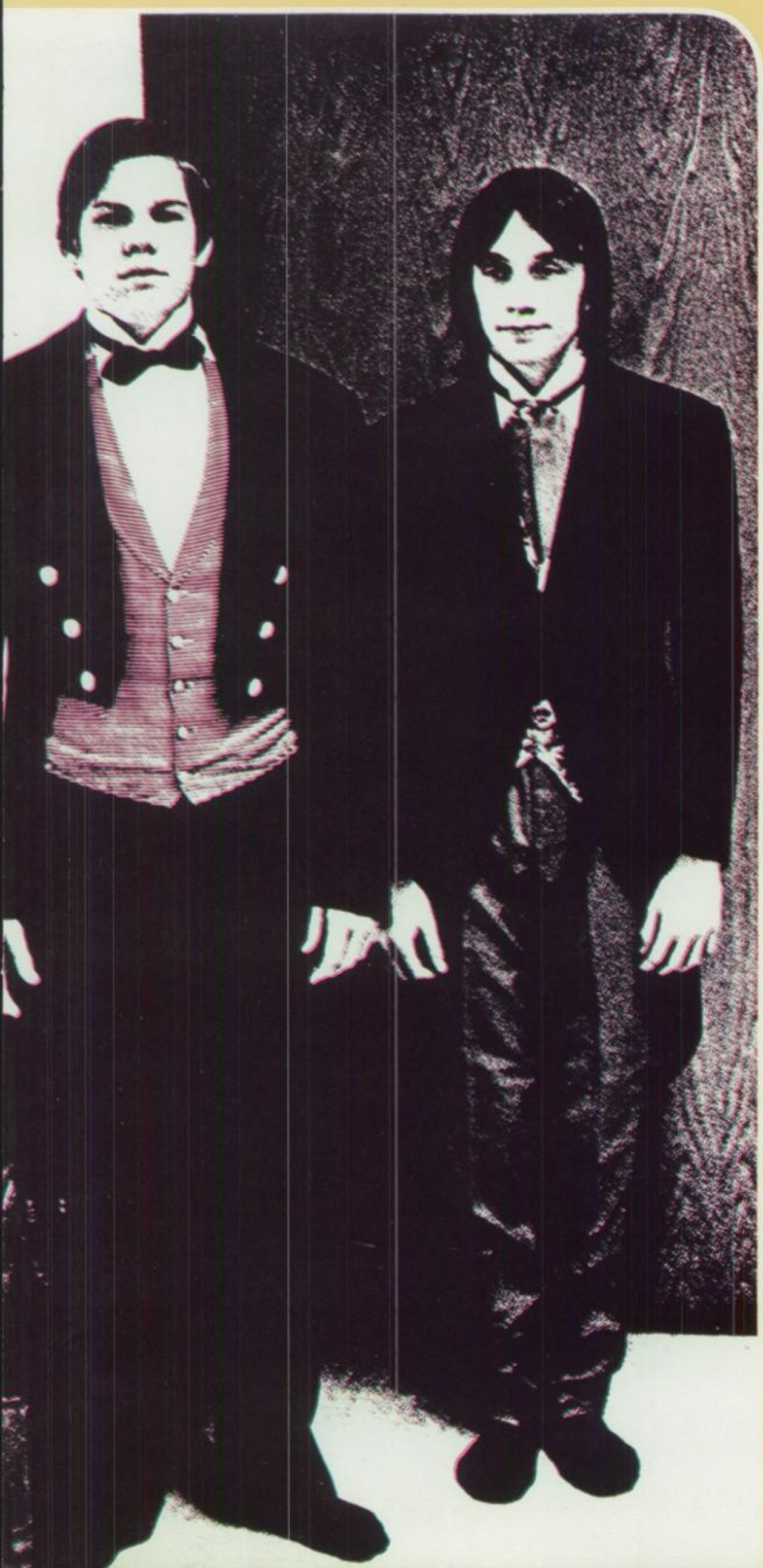


The sun
rises,
the sun sets;
then to its
place it
speeds
and there
it rises.
Southward
goes
the wind,
then
turns to the
north. Back
then to its
circling goes
the wind.

No Man Can Say That Eyes Have Not Had
Enough Of Seeing, Ears Their Fill Of Hearing.

What Was Will Be Again; What Has Been Done, Will Be Done Again.

The celebration of America's bicentennial was in the planning for some time. Various media from television to billboards reminded the public of the country's two hundredth birthday. Thoughts of civic spirit and pride in this country's accomplishments were the focus of the nation this year.

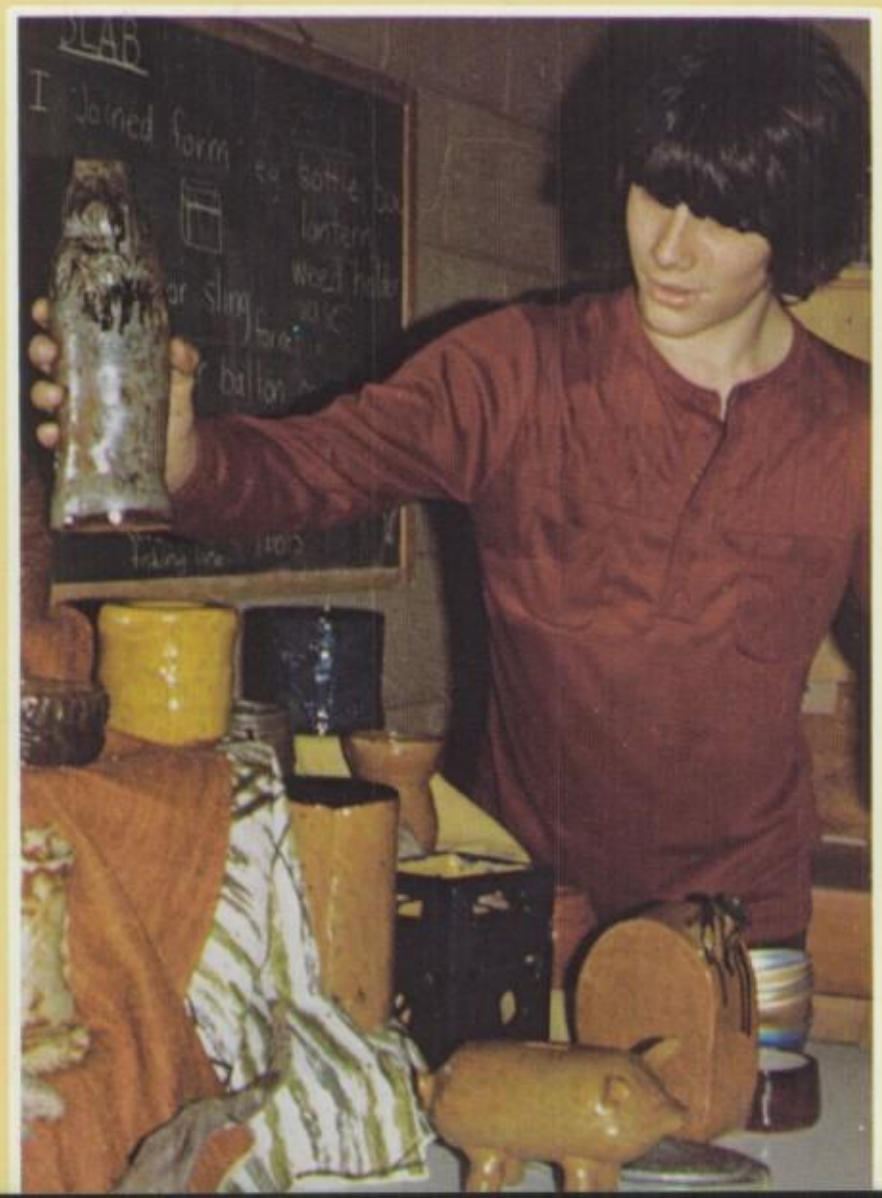
Students at Gibault caught the bicentennical spirit. Sister Bernard's bicentennial class shared brief accounts of historical events each morning at the end of announcements.

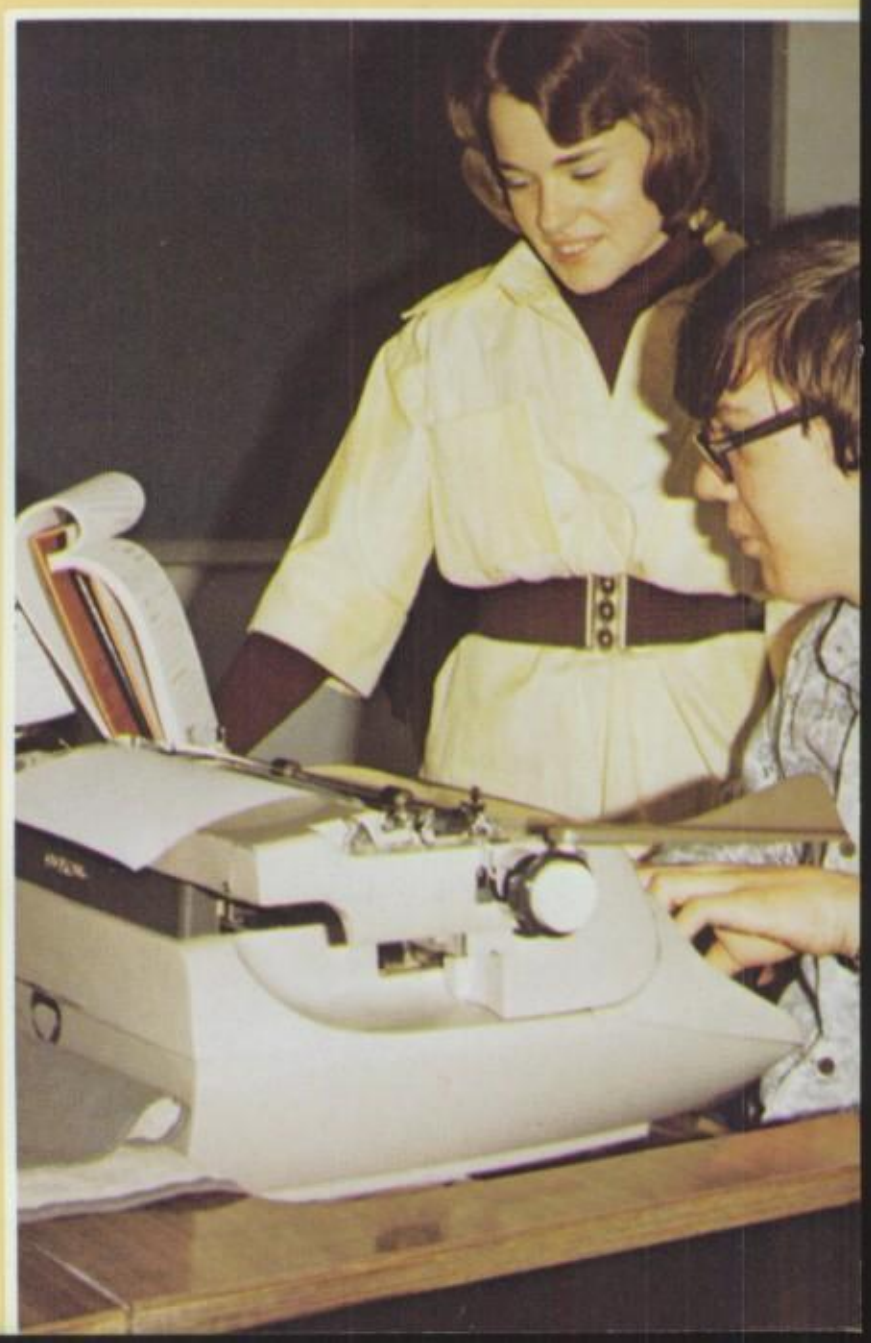
(BELOW: Karen Mudd recounts the story of Washington at Valley Forge.)

During Homecoming week the pep club sponsored a bicentennial day which students celebrated by wearing red, white and blue.

The student council took responsibility for putting up the flag each day. Monica Zipfel and Diane Etherton were chosen to take care of the flag.

Into the sea all the rivers go, and yet the sea is never filled, and still to their goal the rivers go.

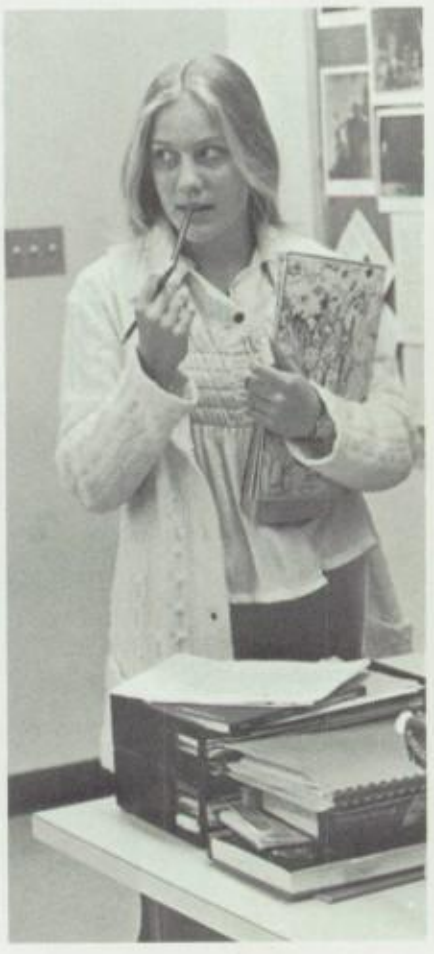




Take anything of which it may be said,
"Look now, this is new."
Already, long before our time, it existed.

PEOPLE

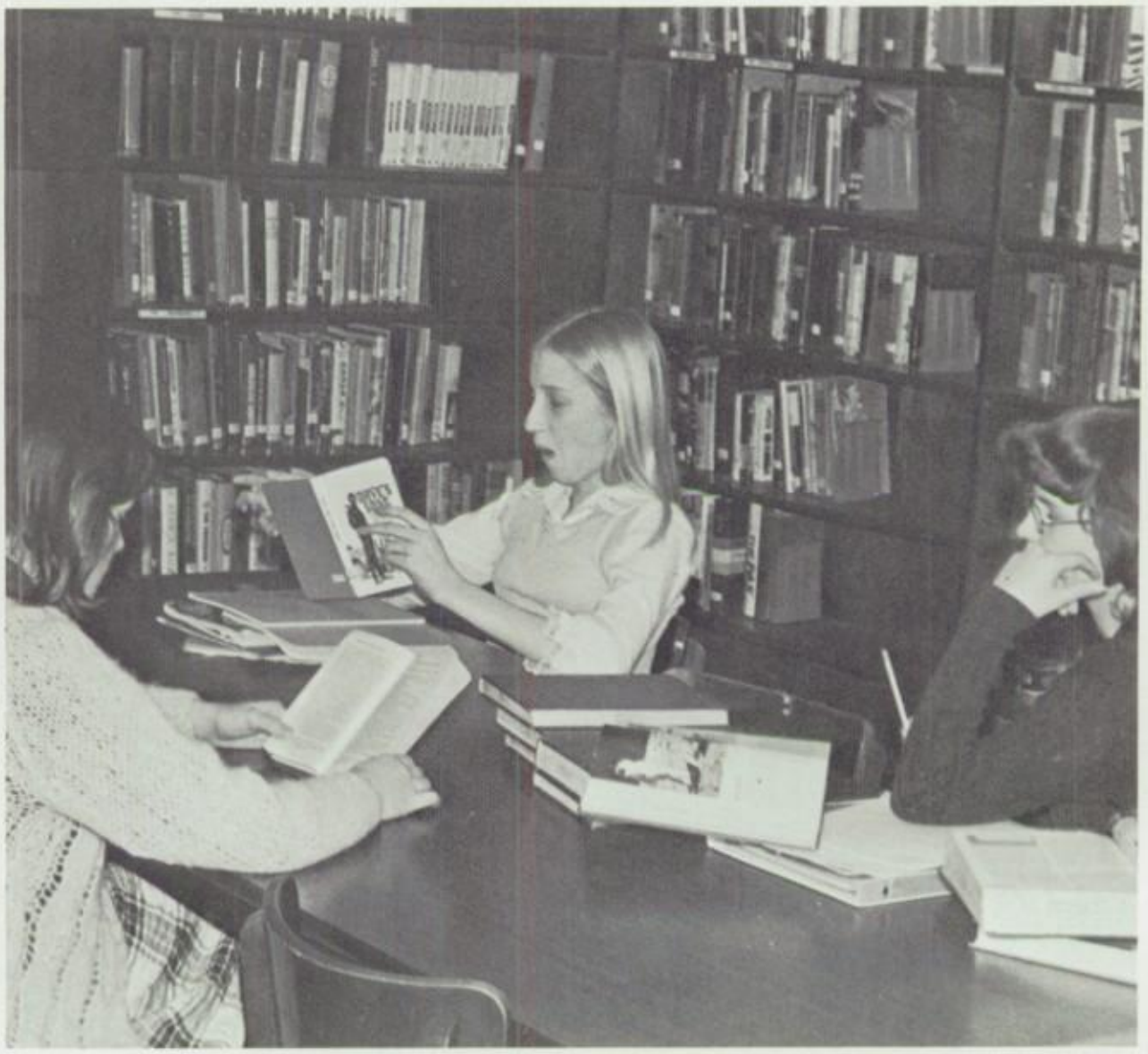
People. At Gibault people's uniqueness is essential. Everyone has the freedom to develop his personality to it's fullest extent. Each person also becomes an intergral part of Gibault, an asset or a liability. We contribute immenseley to the spirit of our school and everyone around us. We want to remember forever the faces of those who touched us in any way.



New Faces And Surroundings Perplex Freshmen

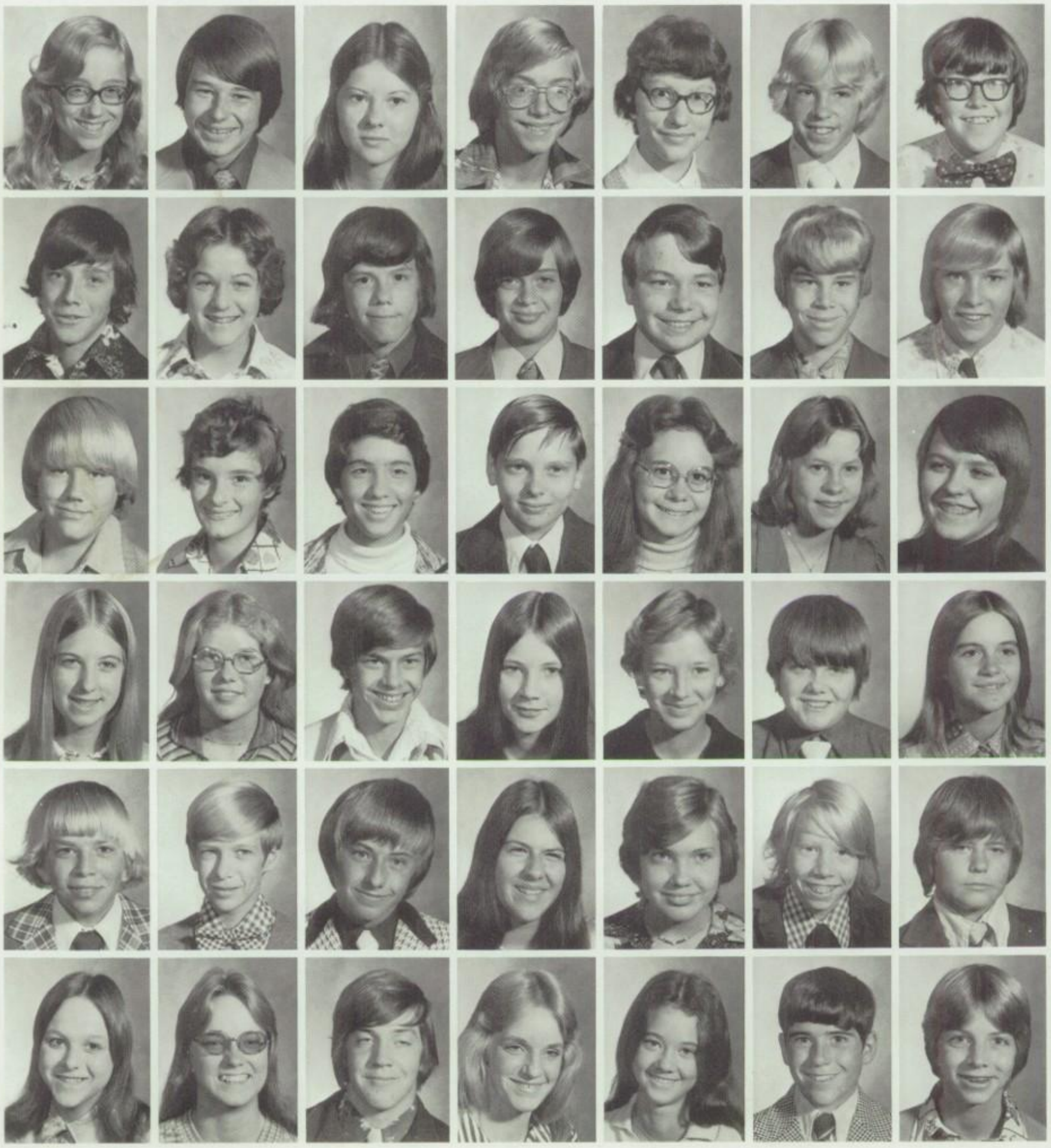
Freshman year. The year which began with a great deal of nervousness, anxiety, and uncertainty. "What will it be like?" This Freshman year contained many discoveries and new faces in unfamiliar surroundings. These encounters left memories for the freshmen of '76.

RIGHT: Student Council Reps; Karen Vogt, Donna Weber, Mark Neary, Kathy Wilson, Kathy Clerc, Lori Keim, missing --Barb Thomas and David Thackrey. BELOW: Class Officers: Warren Goessling; president, Missy Beck; treasurer, Dennis Reinhold; vice-president, and Karl Kelley; secretary. Pages sponsored by: Mr. Clark Willett and Mr. Jerry Bolen.



ROW 1: Janet Barbeau, Julie Barbeau, Tim Barbeau, Missy Beck, Paul Becker, Brain Bequette, Bob Berg. ROW 2: John Bergmann, Marcie Biethman, Leon Biffar, Tom Biffar, Bob Blanford, Brenie Bleem, Paul Breitenstein. ROW 3: Mike Brinkmann, Ann Buettner, Bill Chartrand, Steve Christie, Kathy Clerc, Jill Crosson, Judy Dehn.

COLUMN 1: Lisa Dinan, Darren Farago, Brian Gremp, Lori Keim, Marty Koch, Tracy Malaway, COLUMN 2: Dave Distler, Janice Faust, Joyce Hankammer, Evelyn Kelley, Maurice Koesterer, Tracy Marchbanks, COLUMN 3: Angie DuFrenne, Terry Gallagher, Denise Happy, Karl Kelley, Steve Kopeck, Mark Marquardt, COLUMN 4: Eric Durbin, Jerry Gilberth, Marvin Heinen, Rose Kelley, Tammy Krebel, Terri Martin, COLUMN 5: Jean Eschmann, Michael Glenn, Jeanine Holzum, Beth Killy, Sharon Linnemann, Laura May, COLUMN 6: Mike Etherton, Warren Goessling, Debbie Janson, Joey Kimme, Vince Litteken, Brian McMullan, COULMN 7: Clarence Fahey, Jeff Gregoire, Lisa Jones, Pam Kleffner, Chester Livell, Gina Moehrs.



Freshmen Learn To Use Free Time Constructively

LEFT: Brian Bequette conducts the band as part of his Music Theory class. RIGHT: Freshmen Vince Litteken, Bob Berg, and Marvin Heinen inspect a drug pamphlet distributed by the county police. BOTTOM: Terry Gallagher and Brian McMullen participate in the "Mummy Wrap" contest at the Halloween party. Sponsored by: Gambles Store & Petri Insurance.

COLUMN 1: Sally Mudd, Mark Neary, Carl Niermann, Karla Ostendorf, Ellen Raeber, Chris Reitz, COLUMN 2: Tom Nagel, Jerry Nicoloff, Rene Nottmier, Glenn Polacek, Dennis Reinhold, Mel Rettinghouse.

Bryon Roider
Jane Roscow
Kim Scace
Chris Schaefer

Sandi Schaefer
Mark Schmidt
Lisa Schmitz
Carolyn Schneider

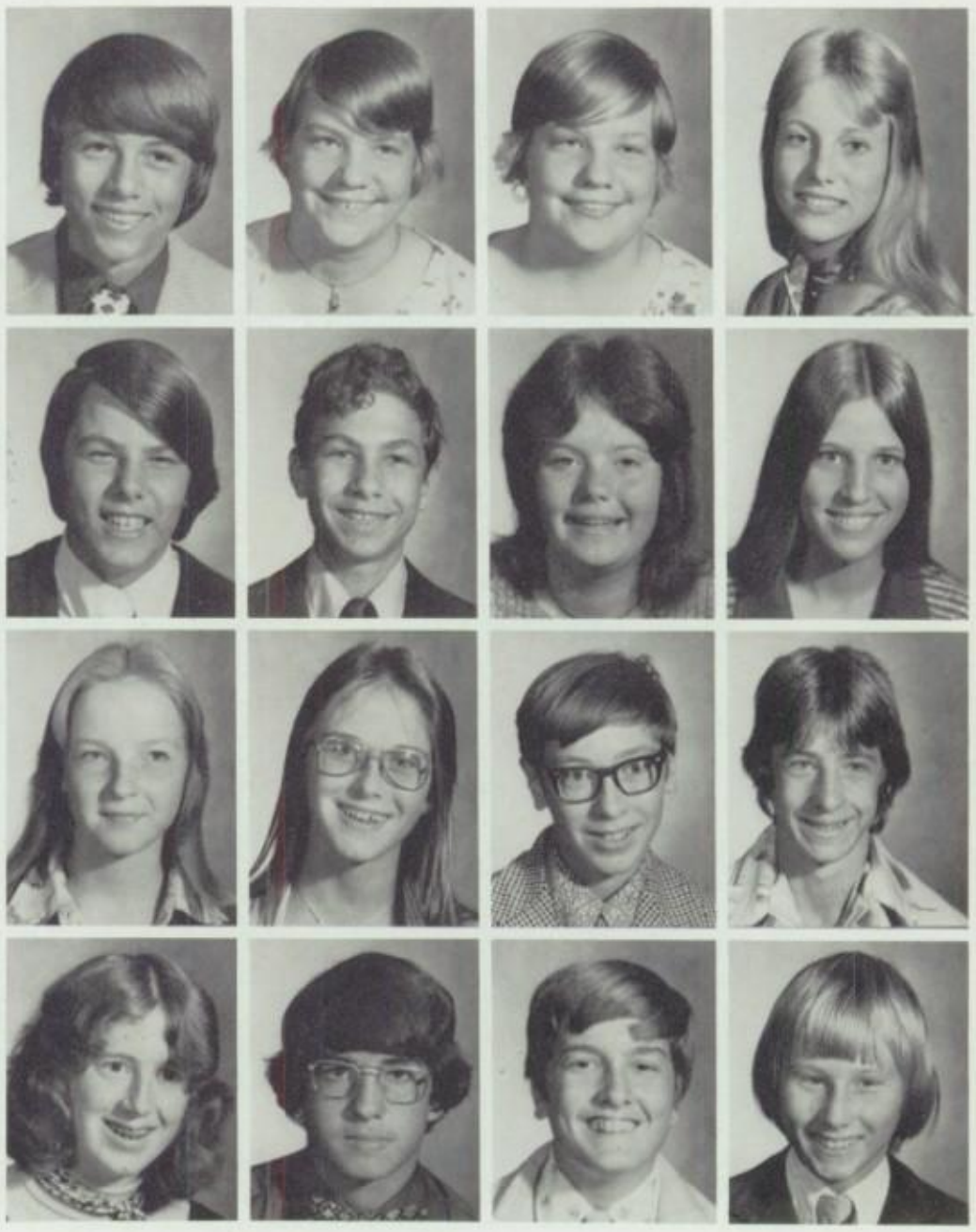
Steve Sexaur
Mark Shea
Linda Sievers
Kim Stamn

Brad Stanhouse
Paulette Steibe
Connie Stellhorn
Donna Sullivan
Tracey Taylor

Class Of '79 Shows Signs Of Responsibility

RIGHT: Evelyn Kelley, Caroline Schneider, and Dave Wilde load part of the gingerbread house of "Hansel and Gretel" onto the bus for one of the "away" performances. FAR LEFT: Mr. Holtschlag explains the basic science principles to Freshmen Laura May, Evelyn Kelley, and Bob Toenjes in the Biology Lab. Sponosred by: Mr. & Mrs. Clyde Franklin and Monroe Service Co.

COLUMN 1: David Thackrey, Dock Thompson, Mary Vogt, Cathy Wilson. COLUMN 2: Karen Thien, Robert Toenjes, Donna Weber, Roger Wink. COLUMN 3: Sharon Thien, Zoe Ann Vanderiet, Dennis Weilbacher, Ricky Wittenauer. COLUMN 4: Barb Thomas, Karen Vogt, David Wilde, Byron Zipfel.



Sophomores Find Class Identy

A first in Gibault's history occured when a sohpomore, Joan Bruss, won the Homecoming crown. This event revealed the unity and leadership of the class of '78. Its members strove to develop the responsibility a class needs in order to become a unique class. They were involved in many extra-curricular activities and were inducted into the National Honor Society for the first time. They sold candy apples, raffled an AM/FM radio and sponsored a dance. Some sophomores participated in the Humanities retreat program held at Ruma. Pages Sponsored by Dave's Motor & Transmission Service and Gene's Barber Shop.

Susie Beelman
Joe Benyo
David Birke
Mary Brand
Brett Brinkmann
Dina Brinkmann

Keith Brinkmann
Joan Bruss
John Chapman
Paul Costello
Laura Degener
Rich Dependahl

Ellen Diekemper
Linda Dinan
Mickey Doerr
Cheryl Donjon
Dan Eftink
Barb Eschmann

Paul Evans
Maureen Fahey
Denise Fargo

Ray Fausz
Jean Feldker
Anne Glessner

Bruce Goessling
William Goodnick
Brian Grau

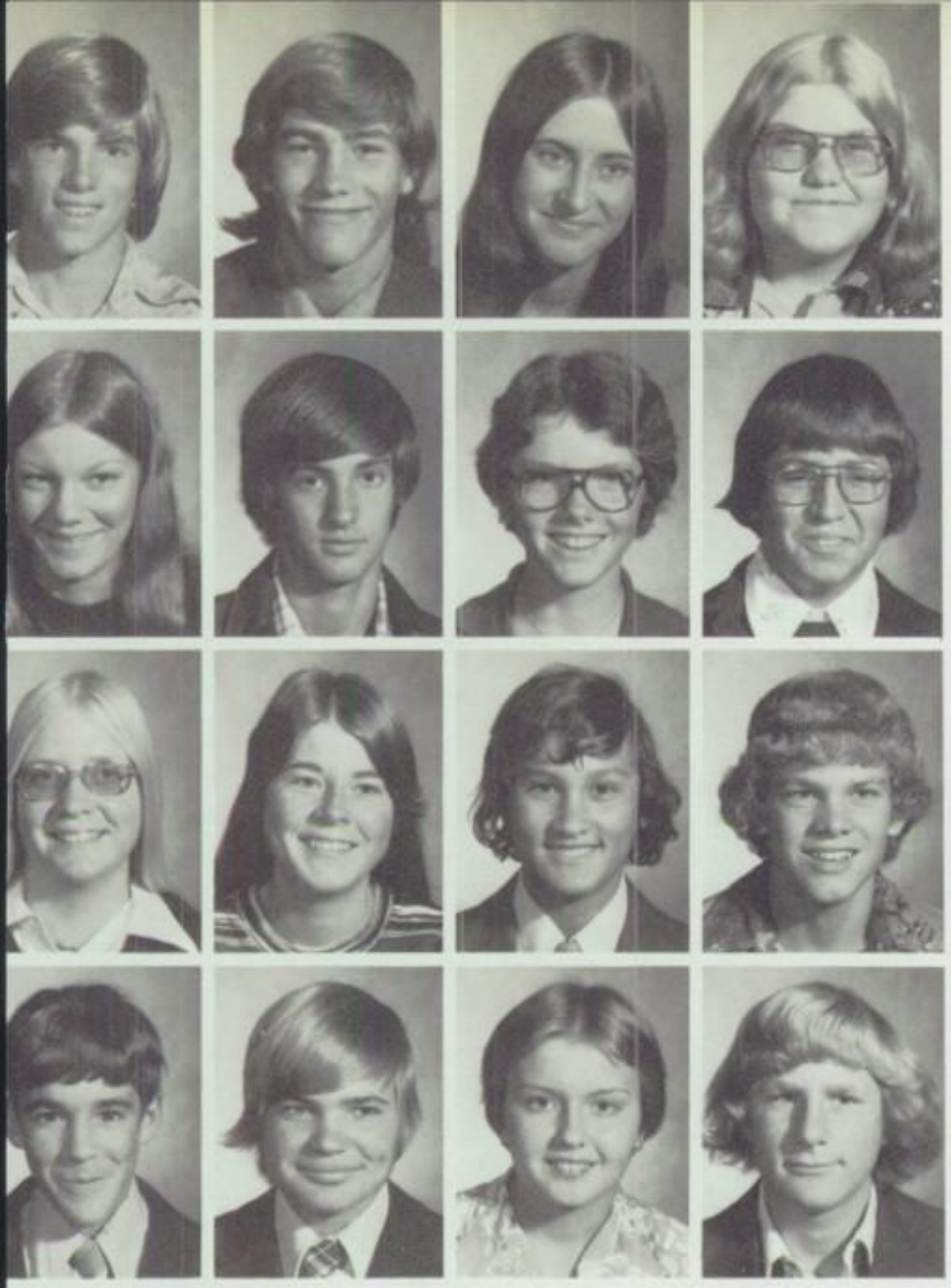
Sophomores Win Homecoming Crown

Mark Gregoire
Joann Gregson
Renee Grimm
John Hahn
Susan Hannon

Kristin Hennrich
S. Madonna Horcher
Julie Huebner
Scott Huebner
Lynn Huetsch

Andy Joshu
Pam Jung
Brenda Kayser
Dan Kennedy
Chris Kern

Susan Kish
Diane Koester
Keith Kolmer
Mike Kovarik
Rich Kreher



Brian Krueger
Jay Krump
Suzanne Kruse
Terri LaBruyere

Kim Langhorst
Mike Larsen
Linda Laurent
William Levery

Anne Loerch
Carol Luecking
Ed Maglasang
Terry McAuliffe

Mike McMullan
Keith Mechler
Norma Mehrtens
Kevin Meyer

FAR LEFT: Mrs. Tierney hands out discussion materials to Sophomores in her Foods class. LEFT: Julie Miller cheers the J.V. Hawks on during a home game. ABOVE: Students in Chemistry complete a lab.

Bishop Visits Sophomore Humanities

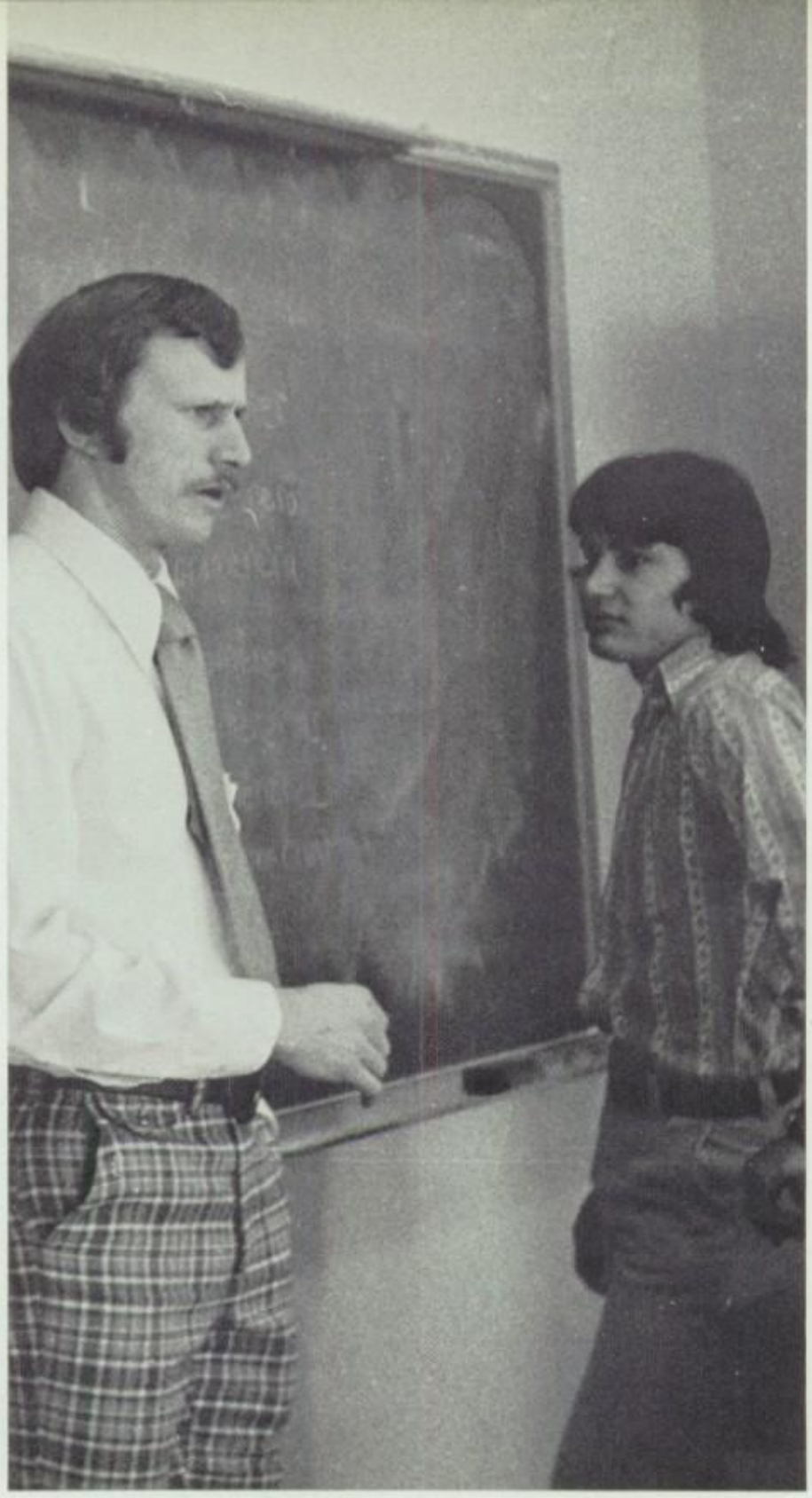
Julie Miller
David Moffit
Phil Morales

Donna Mueller
Terry Mullarkey
Terry Naumann

Joan Niermann
Sally Niermann
John Novack

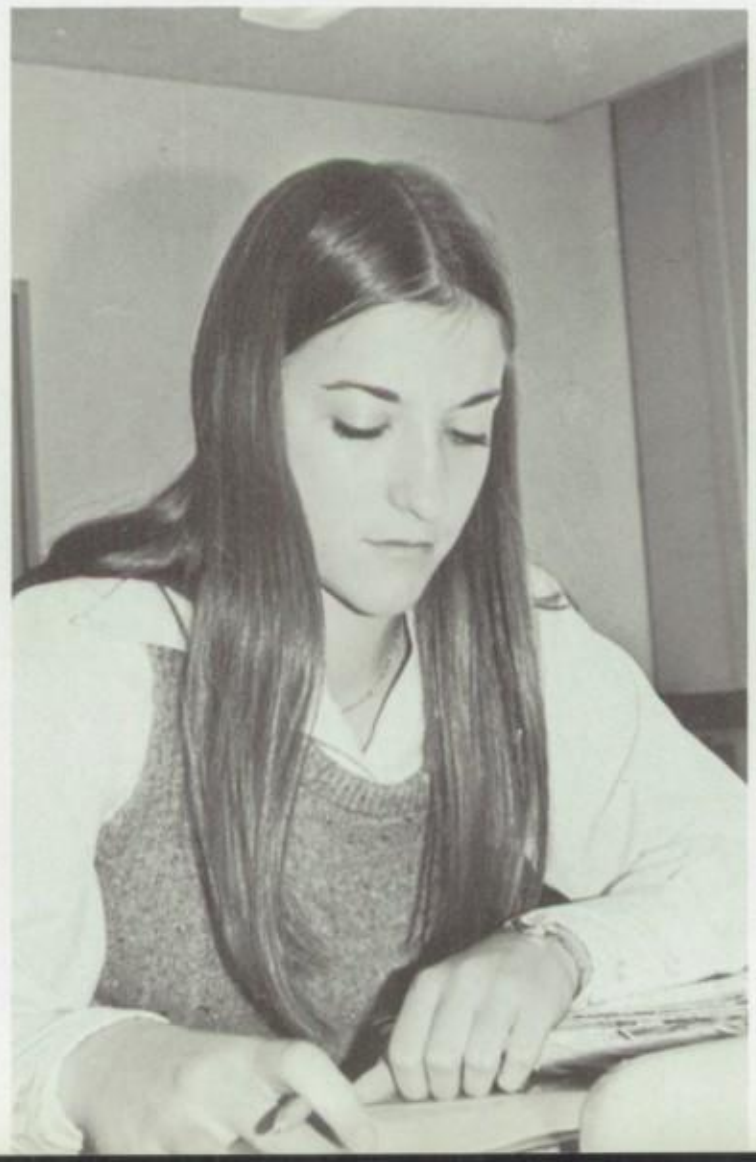
Ken Parker
Barb Pieper
Kevin Poetker

Cathy Polacek
Susan Reis
Jan Sanders
David Schreder
Ann Raeber
Renee Rick
Sandra Sanders
Kevin Schreder



FAR RIGHT: Bishop Albert Zuroweste talks with Carol Luecking, Norma Mehrtens, Cathy Polacek, and Susie Kish after he spoke for the Sophomore Humanities Group. TOP RIGHT: Donna Mueller and Linda Laurent enjoy a magazine in Seminar 3. ABOVE: Mark J. Vogt conjugates the verb "to walk" in French 2. RIGHT: Bill Levery concentrates on answering questions for a Biology packet. Pages Sponsored by: Mr. & Mrs. Clyde Faus and American Legion Post 622.

Karen Schneider
Darren Schroeder
Gail Schroeder
Allen Schutt



Albert Shields
Jay Stemmley

Beth Steppig
Tom Toal

Mark J. Vogt
Mark L. Vogt
Pattie Turner
Gina Wallhaus
Sharon Weber
Kevin Wetzler
Susan Wightman
Janet Wittenauer

Class Of 78 Participated In Retreats

LEFT: Sopomore Keith Kolmer is assisted by Miss Castagno in typing. FAR LEFT: Joan Niermann studies for a biology test in the lab. UPPER LEFT: Ann Loerch makes use of her free time to relax on the campus greenery. FAR UPPER LEFT: S. Madonna Horcher and Mrs. Tierney examine Madonna's project for Sewing II. Sponsored by: Mr. & Mrs. Albert Crook and Louie's Auto Co, Inc. Red Bud.

Class Of 77 Uses Talents Of Members To The Utmost

Selling doughnuts and sponsoring the "Hairest Legs" contest were only a few of the ideas the Junior class used to raise money for the Prom. They began planning the prom in late August, making reservations for the band, restaurant, choosing a theme and decorating schemes.

President Walt Stanhouse and officers Denise Breitenstein, Jack Dependahl, and Chuck Faus took much of the responsibility, making the Junior-Senior prom a success.

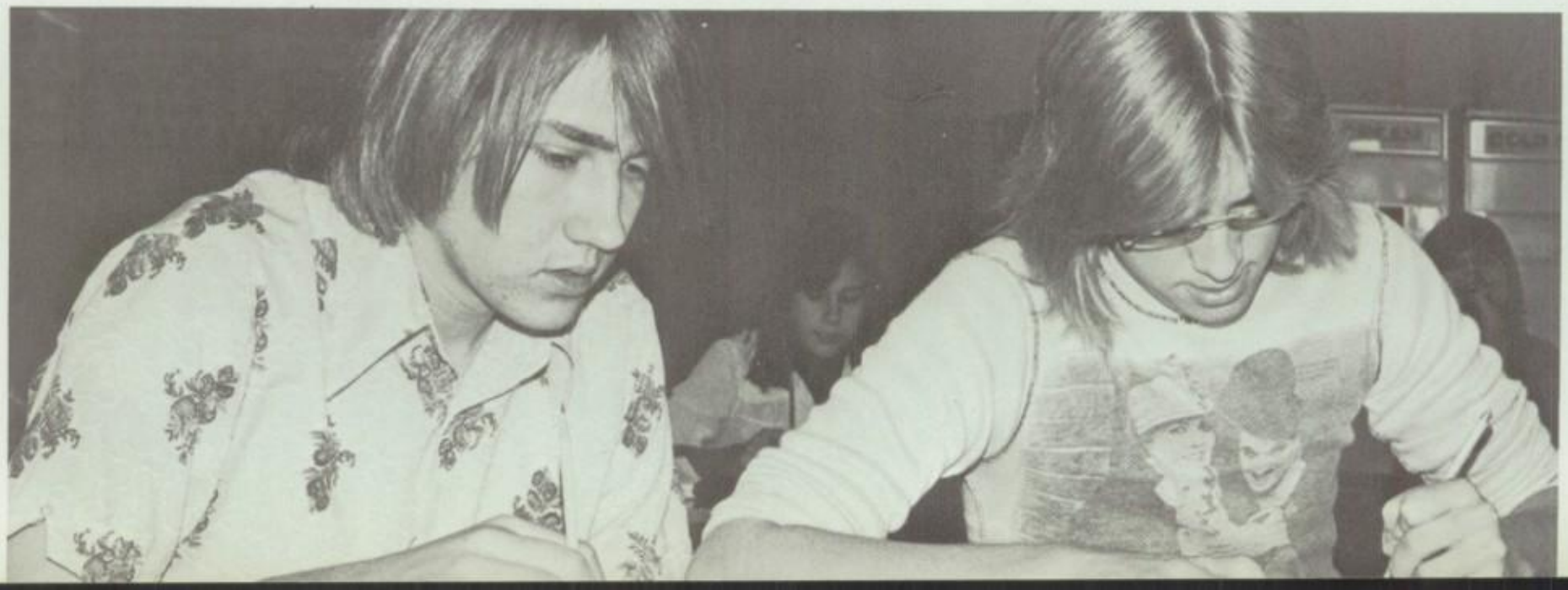
John Beck
Dennis Becker
Mary Becker
John Beelman
Glenda Bequette

Terry Berg
James Biethmann
Alan Biffar
Michael Biffar
John Bleem

Carol Brady
Denise Breitenstein
Joe Brinkmann
Steve Brinkmann
Debbie Brueggemann
Teresa Butler

ROW 1: Debbie Chartrand, Cathy Clark, Pat Crosson, Jack Dependahl, Kris Diehl, Patricia Doerr, Susan Doiron, Joey Dorn. ROW 2: Dean DuFrenne, Terri Dugan, Jeannie Eichenseer, Chuck Faus, Larry Gant, John Gilbreth, Marquita Godier, Cindy Griffin.

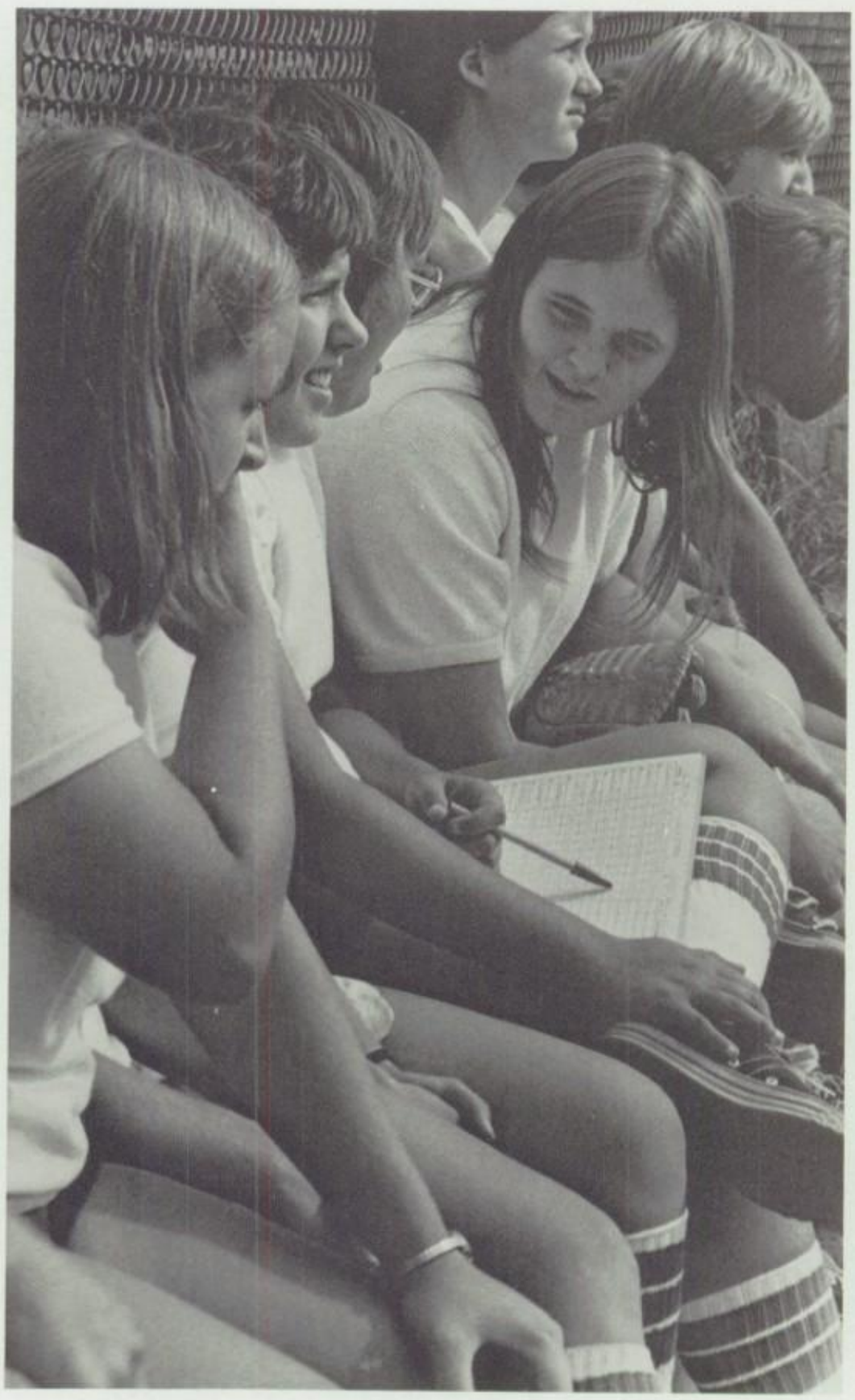
RIGHT: Mr. Greg Lane, Junior class moderator makes an announcement about registration for the ACT test for Juniors. CENTER: Sr. Veronica assists John Beelman, Jeff Haberl, Fred Schmidt, and Mark Schmersc-hal in finding maga-zine articles for their term papers. BOT-TOM: Juniors Loren Loerch and Mike Reinhold study Al-gerbra 2 in study hall. Sponsored by: Teresa Buckmann.



Juniors Exhibit Creativity In Planning Class Events

COLUMN 1: Jeff Haberl, M. Frances Horcher, Kris Kelley, Rene Kruse, Kris Linker. COLUMN 2: Don Hannon, Karen Janson, Teresa Kelley, Duane Langhorst, Loren Loerch. COLUMN 3: Marie Hopkins, Larry Kayser, Jim Knoke, Lela Laurent, Sally Maurer.

BOTTOM: Juniors M. Frances Horcher, Kris Kelley, and Darlene Spilhmann look over the score book at a softball game. Sponsored by: St. Pius V Church.



Juniors Work To Organize And Unify Class

Kathy McCarty
Linda Mechler
Laurie Mental
Cindy Modglin
Karen Mudd
Chris Naumann

Mary Kay Naumann
Melissa Naumann
June Neary
Bernadine Nicoloff
Jane Neirmann
Ellen Novack

Tom Pape
Curt Poetker
Kurt Reitz
Mary Roever
Julie Rust
Mary Sanders

Mark Schmersahl
Jim Schmidt
Jeff Schmeig
Fred Schmitt
Patti Schoenborn
Craig Sheilds

Darlene Spihlmann
Walt Stanhouse
Donna Toal
Cathy Vogt
Anne Wittenauer
Carolene Wittenauer

Jerry Wittenauer
Linda Wittenauer

FAR LEFT: Sr. Karen assists Tom Pape as he sets up the video tape equipment. LEFT: As a member of the Student Council, Mark Schmersahl helps sell Gibault jackets. Pages Sponsored by: Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Brady and Mr. & Mrs. Donald Bruss.

Karen's Eyes

If I'd not known Karen's eyes
perhaps the day would be
easier to understand,
gentler to me.

If I hadn't memorized
the sounds she makes
while close to me
I might have filled my memory up
with August skies or July sea.

But as it is my memory world
has little room for skies,
all the space is taken up
remembering Karen's eyes.

Class of '76 Falls Below Its Own Expectations

Though many attempts were made to unify this year's Senior class, this effort did not succeed. Indifference and neutrality were the main stumbling blocks to the classes unification. The class made a vigorous attempt to cure its own ills and some cooperation was received.

Attitudes ranging from "I'm glad I'm out" to "I wish I could start over again" demonstrated that the group was experiencing pangs of withdrawal. At least the numbness and apathy were absent.

Class officers Chris Wilde, president, Jerry Sanders, vice-president, secretary Lisa Smith, and treasurer, Carol Weber with the help of some students, supervised money-making projects such as the Senior dance which helped amass funds for a class trip. The diverse personalities of the class would not allow a deep spirit of unity although the desire for it was present.

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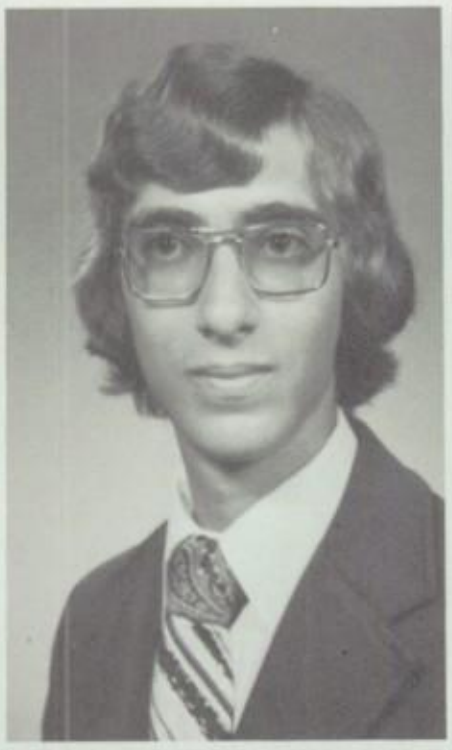
ROBERT BARBEAU

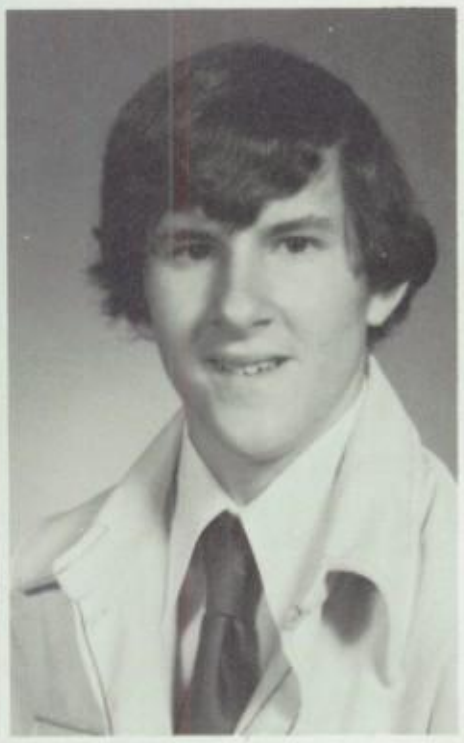


TIMOTHY BIRK

SHERRI BITZER

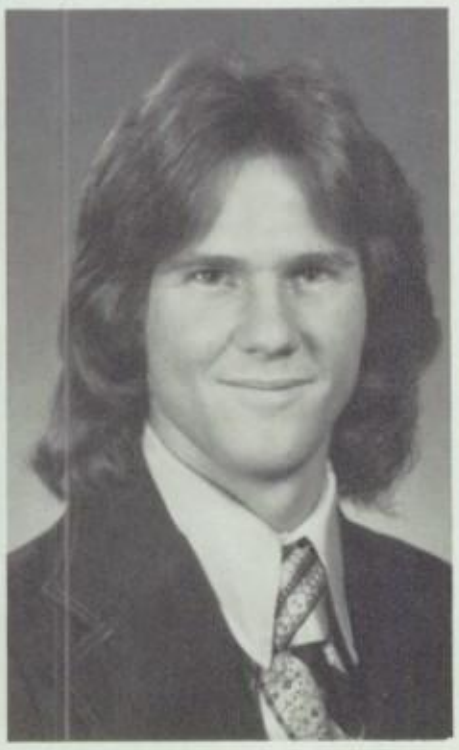
JEANICE BLEEM

LAURA BROWN



DAN BRAUN

SANDY BRAUN



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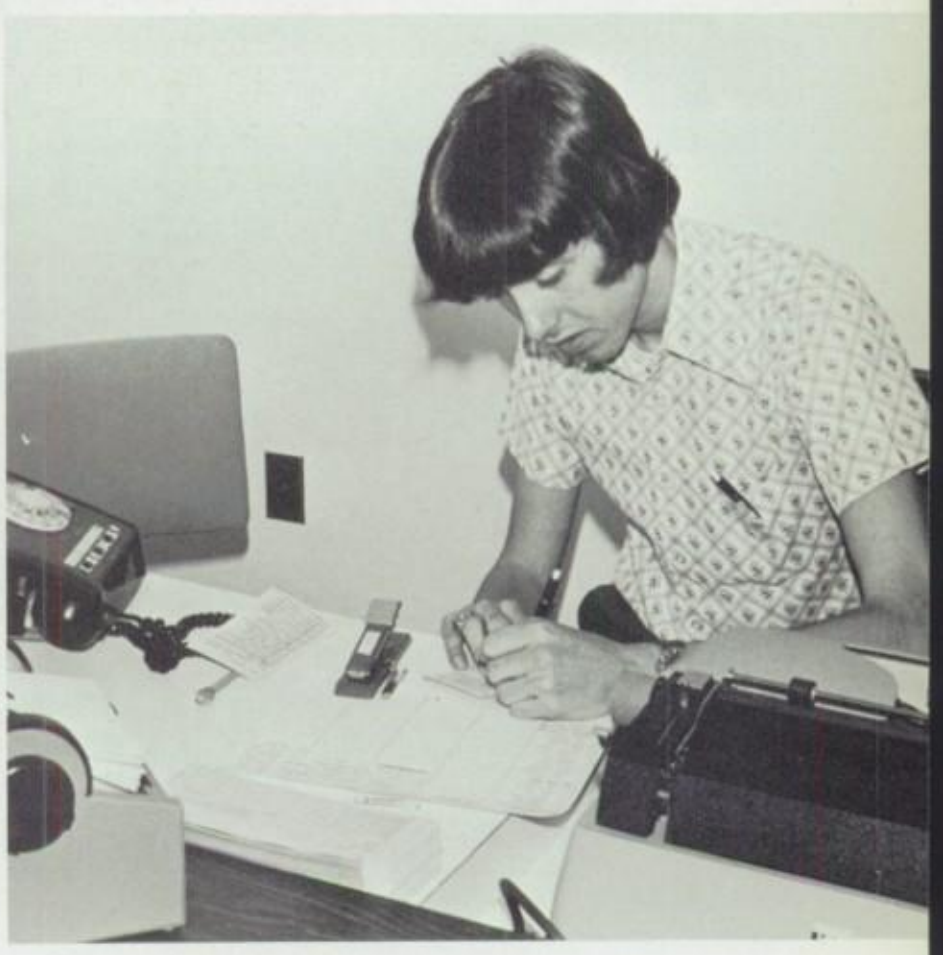
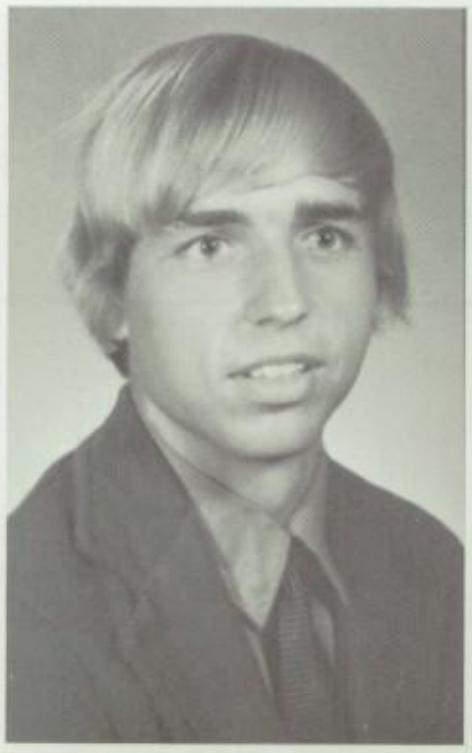


DONALD BUETTNER
PAT COSTELLO



ODINEI CAVINATTO
PAM CROSSON

JEAN CHARTRAND
ELLEN DEGENER

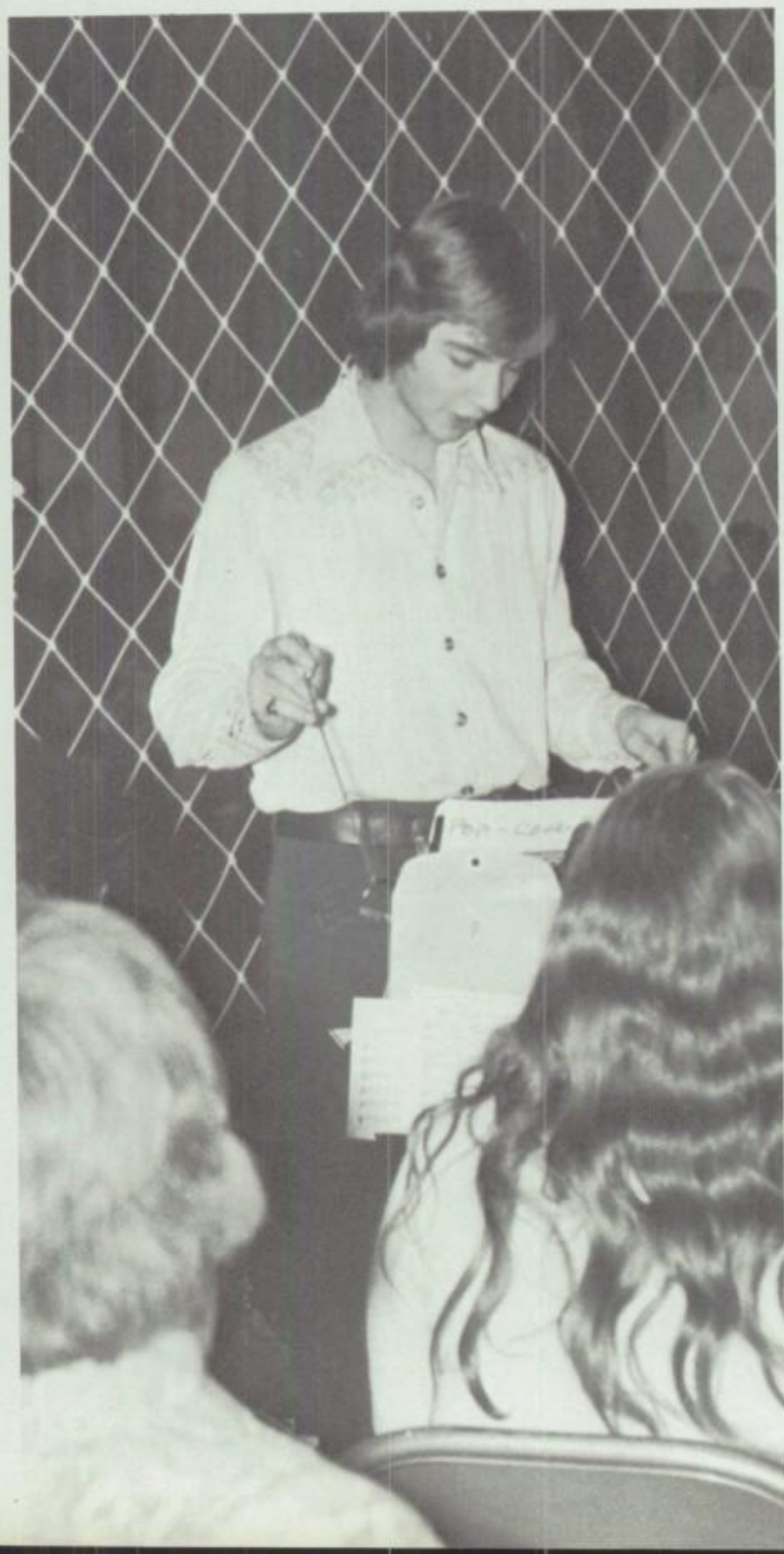
LISA CONRAD
ERIC DIEKEMPER

MARY DOERR

Seniors Active In Many Extra-Curricular Activities

SUSAN DONJON
JONI DORN

FAR LEFT: Donna Kunkel and Joan Hankammer utilize the library facilities to work on America 4 papers. CENTER: The pep band, directed by David Wittenauer, plays at a basketball games to entertain the fans. Pages sponsored by: Dr. Orlou Reitz, Optomitrist and Tipton CYO.



DAVE EICHENSEER

GARY ESCHMANN

DIANE ETHERTON

CINDY FORTMAN
MARK FRIERDRICH
BILL GALLAGHER

RITA GANT

JOE GREGSON

JOAN HANKAMMER
THRESA HEINEN

Exchange Students Enlarge Senior Class

CENTER: Eric Diekemper, Tim Birk, and Jerry Sanders recreate the nostalgia of the 50's at the Student Council back to school party. LOWER RIGHT: Mr. Dermody assists Dave Roever in a Physics experiment. Pages Sponsored by: Joe Kleffner and L-K Fina Car Wash.

KATHY KELLEY
DAVID KENNEDY

KEVIN KERN
JEFF KIPPING

MARY KISH
TERRI KLEFFNER

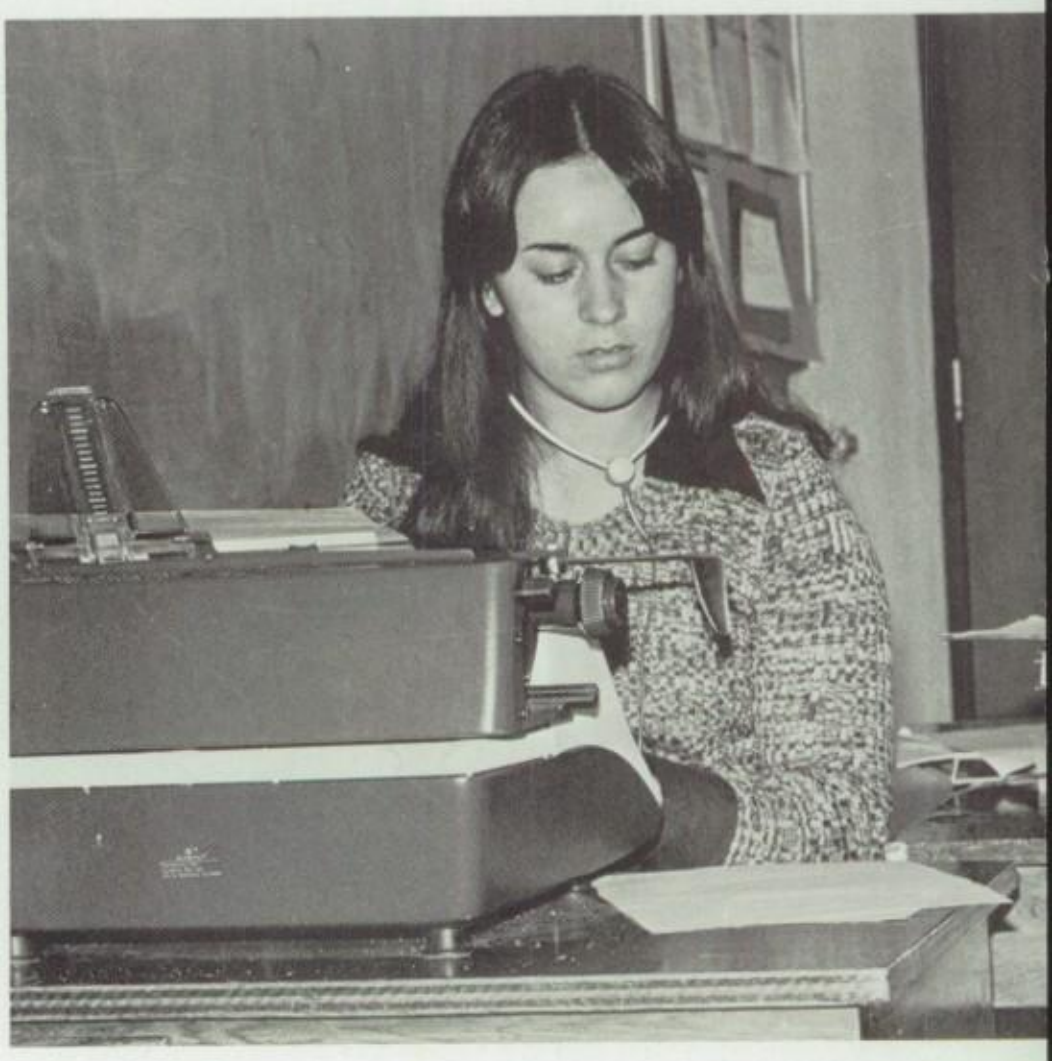
Seniors Strive To Achieve Unity

TOP RIGHT: To complete the fruit drive that gave $3,000 toward a new bus, Kevin Steppig helps unload fruit. BOTTOM RIGHT: Sandy Braun types from the dictaphone for her assignment in office practice. Pages sponsored by: Mr. & Mrs. Clyde Faus and Mr. & Mrs. Clyde Franklin.

GLEN KOHNZ

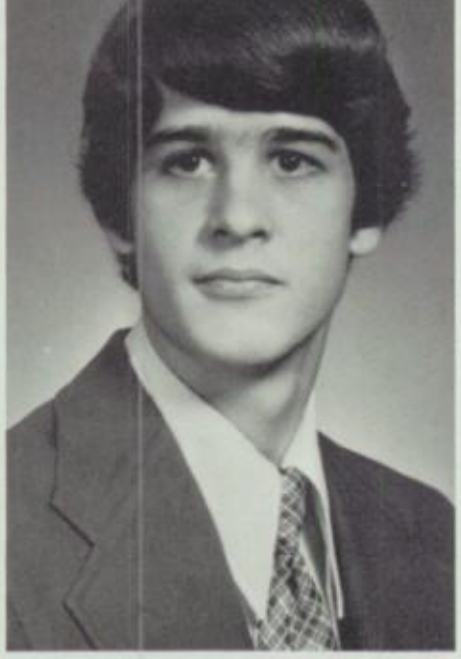
JOYCE KRUMP

PATTI KRUEGER



DONNA KUNKEL
BEATRICE MARTINEZ
LISSA MAY

BETTY LUECKING
DAVID MAY
ART MCAULIFFE



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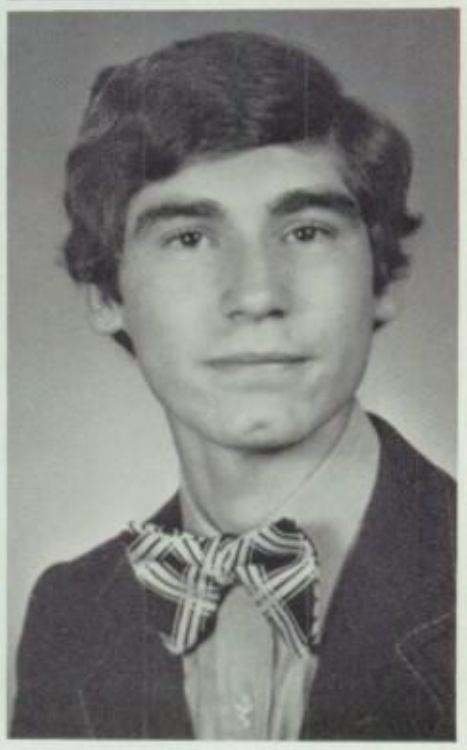

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DAVID ROEVER
DARLENE SCHILLING

JOYCE NETEMEYER
RANDY POLACEK

JEAN NIERMANN
JANE RAEBER

MONICA OLIVA
ROBBIE RATZ

Majority Of Seniors Pursue Higher Education

MARLENE ROBERTS
KEVIN RUBY
TOM SCHMIDT

ANN ROETHLISBERGER
JERRY SANDERS
LYNN SCHMITZ

LEFT: Exchange student Sabine Seidel makes use of the patio to study English. ABOVE: Relaxing in the Library is Odinei Cavinatto, exchange student from Brazil. Pages Sponsored by: C & J's Milky Way and Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Brady.

Class Of 76 Pledges $500 Toward Tennis Courts

BRENDA SCHREDER

LARRY SCHREDER

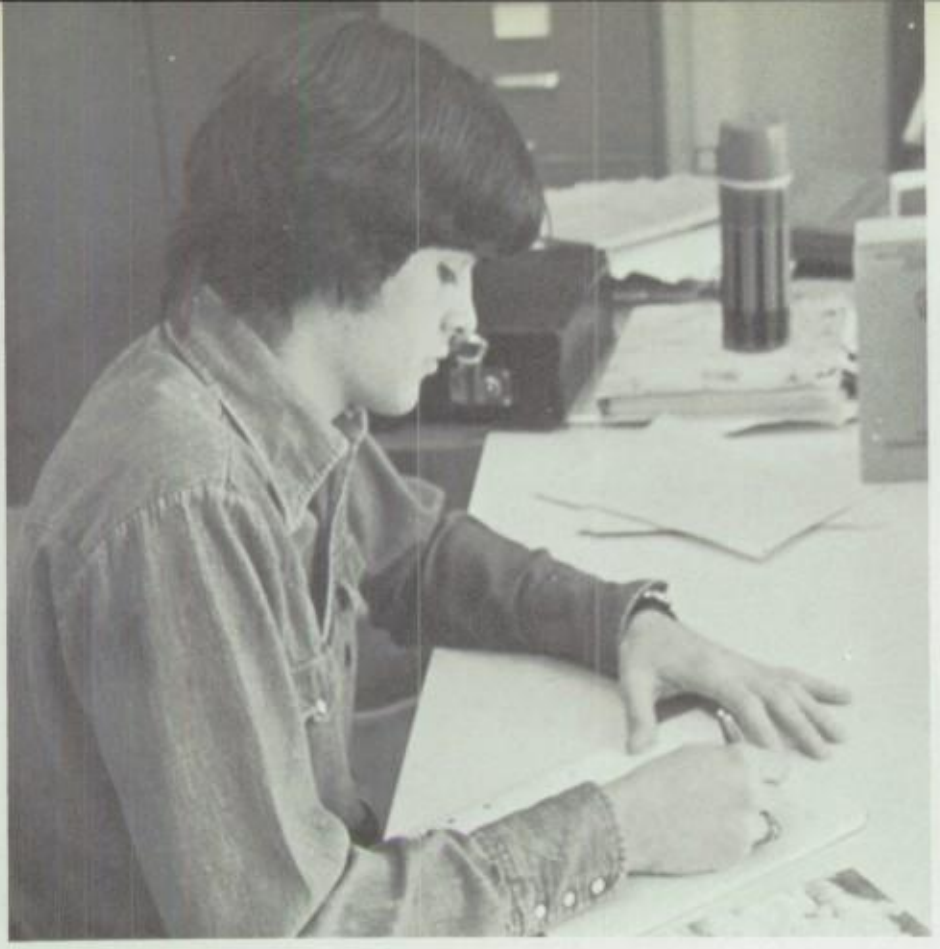
MARK SCHROEDER

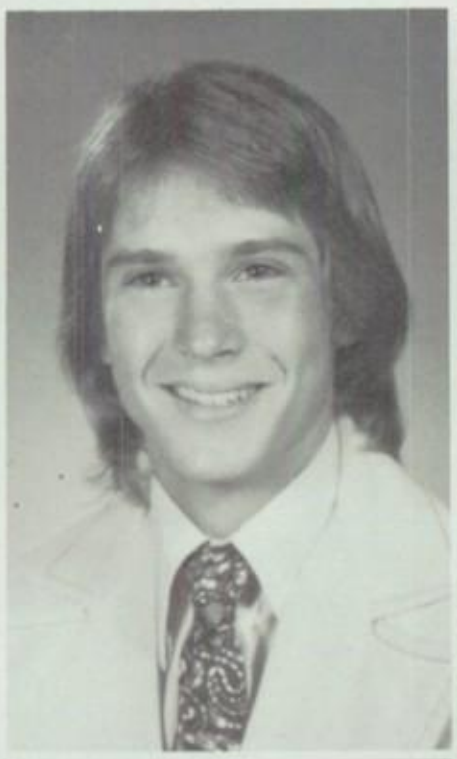
SABINE SEIDEL

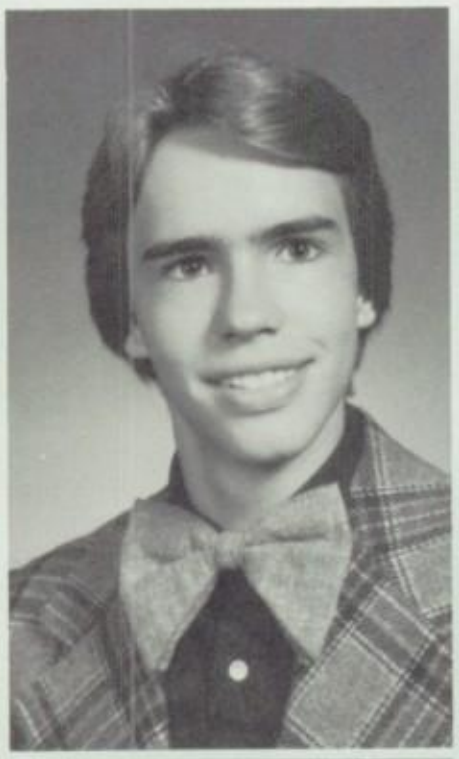
ABOVE: Mr. Kurt Haberl and exchange students Monica Oliva and Beatrice Martinez discuss life styles in South America. CENTER: David May looks over his notes before a test. FAR RIGHT: A group of senior boys use the Humanities Resource Center to congregate and study. Pages sponsored by: Gerken & Sons and Kurt Haberl.

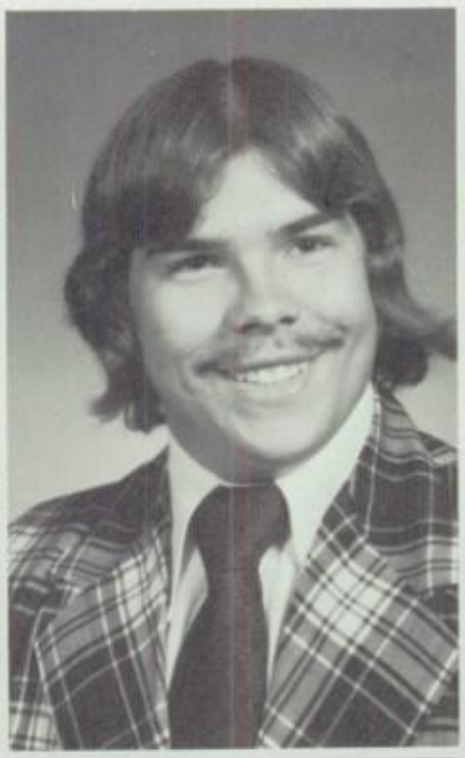
LISA SMITH
KEVIN STEPPIG

BETTY STEPPIG
PATTI STOGNER









DAVE TOAL
CHRIS WILDE

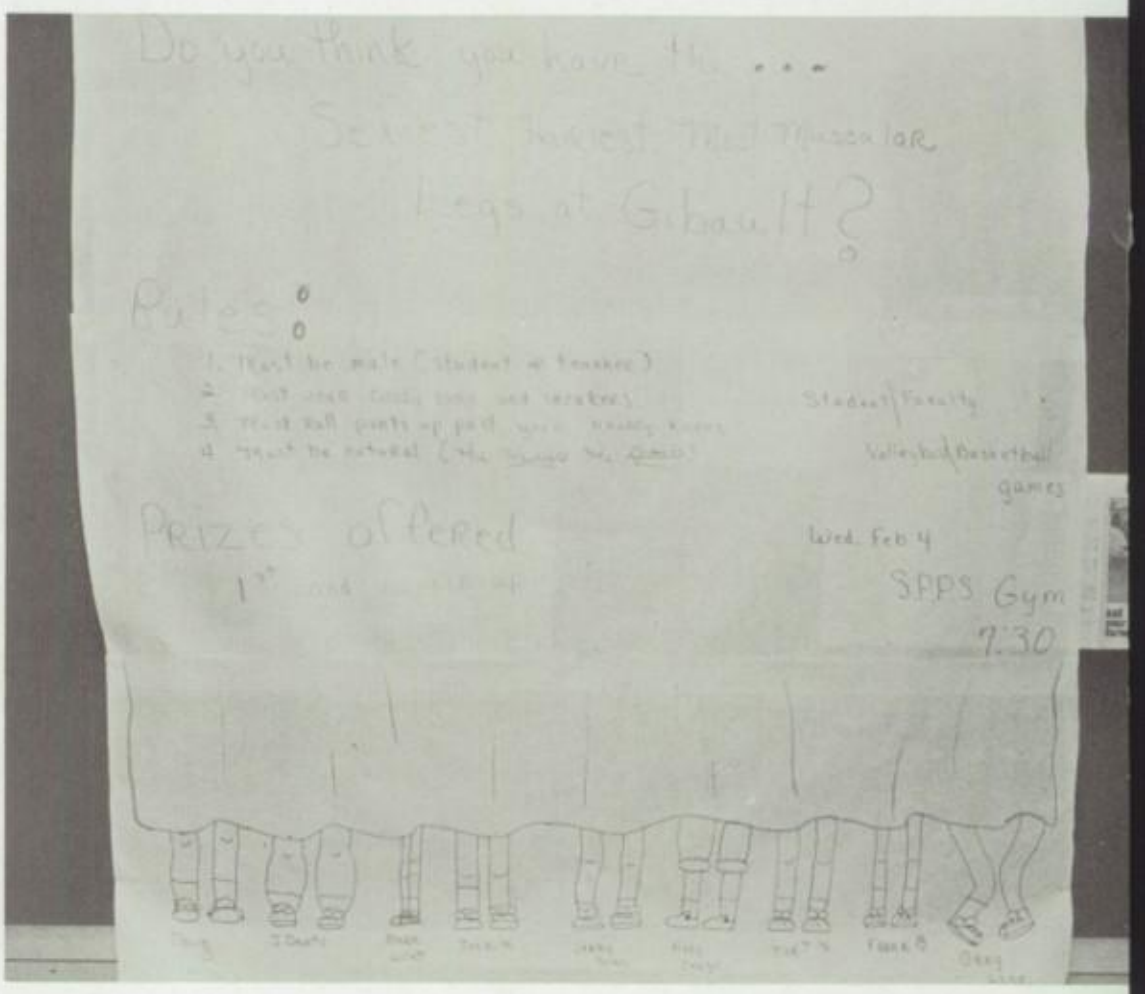
GLENN VOGT
DAVE WITTENAUER

JACK VORACEK
JAN WHELAN

CAROL WEBER
MONICA ZIPFEL

STUDENT LIFE

Activities at Gibault are as varied as student's personalities. Ranging from retreats to a hairy leg contest, the school's activities have become a vital part of our education. Masses, parties, Spring Festival, and contests such as pyramid building helped to create a special spirit at Gibault.



The

MAYNARD
FERGUSON

$9,000 Collected In Trailblazer Drive

The Publication's Drive was the first major event that brought class spirit into the open. Rivalry between the sophomores, juniors, and the seniors increased as the date of October 18 drew near. These classes were all hoping for the crowning of their candidate as the queen at the TRAILBLAZER Drive Dance.

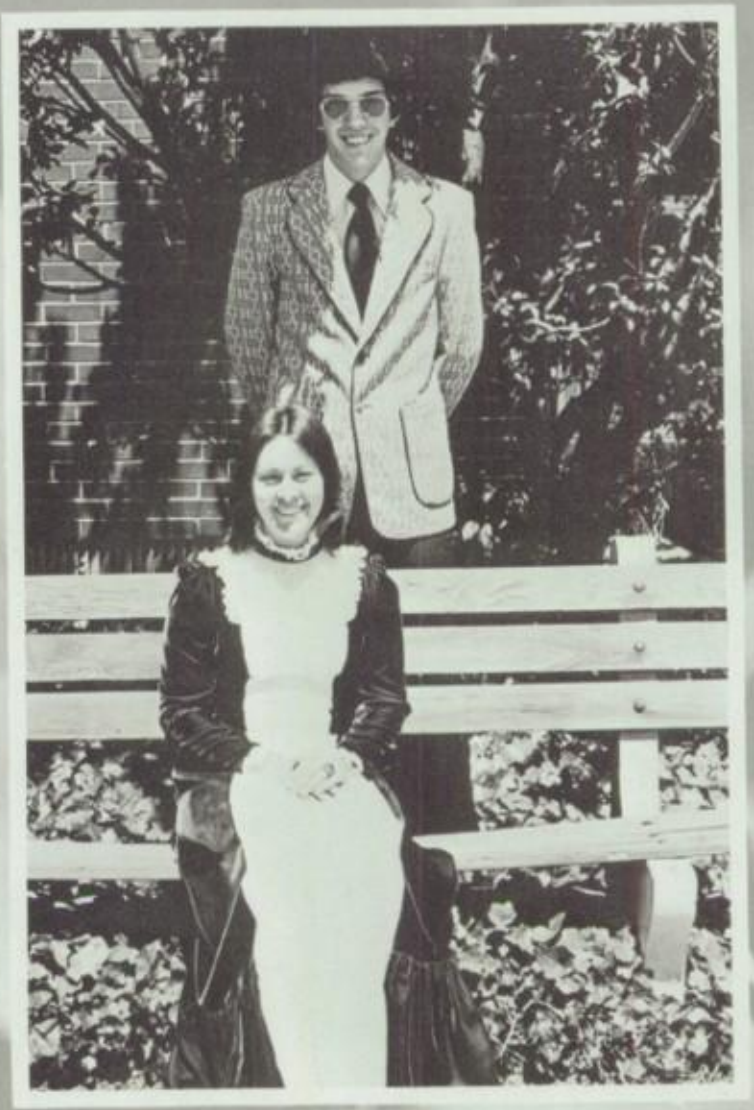
When October 18 finally rolled around, everyone found the Queen's dance at a new location. The auditorium was decorated wonderfully by the junior class. "Remember the Future" was their theme.

After a last minute run to Cindy Schutt, the retiring queen's house to get a crown, Angela Mudd, the senior candidate was chosen as the '76 TRAILBLAZER queen. Laurie Mentel was the junior candidate; Diane Koester, the sophomore candidate; and Kim Scace was the freshman attendant.

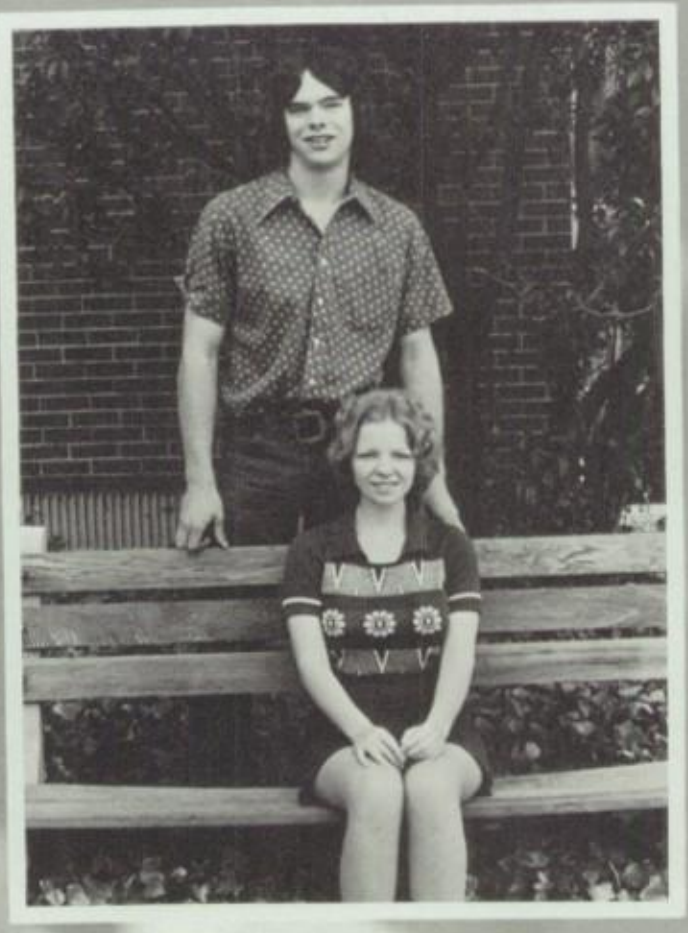
TRAILBLAZER COURT: Chuck Faus, Laurie Mentel, John Koerber, Cindy Schutt, David Wittenauer, Angela Mudd, Kim Scace, Mike Etherton, Alan Schutt, and Diane Koester. BELOW: Queen Angela Mudd and David Wittenauer pose for a picture after the coronation. RIGHT: Alan Schutt escorts Diane Koester, the sophomore candidate. LEFT: Junior candidate, Laurie Mentel and escort Chuck Faus approach the Queen's court. FAR LEFT: The candidates and retiring queen; Kim Scace, Diane Koester, Laurie Mentel, Angela Mudd, and Cindy Schutt. FAR LEFT: Mike Etherton Accompanies Kim Scace, the Freshman attendant. CORNER PHOTO: Angela Mudd and David Wittenauer share a victory dance. Pages sponsored by: Mr. & Mrs. Willard Schutt, and Laddie Jr. Long.

'76 Homecoming, First Time Sophomore Wins Crown

Sandy Braun, the senior candidate, and Dave Roever



Queen Joan Bruss and Terry McAuliffe



Junior candidate, Susan Doirin and Jim Schmidt

Missy Beck and Glen Polacek, Freshmen attendant and escort

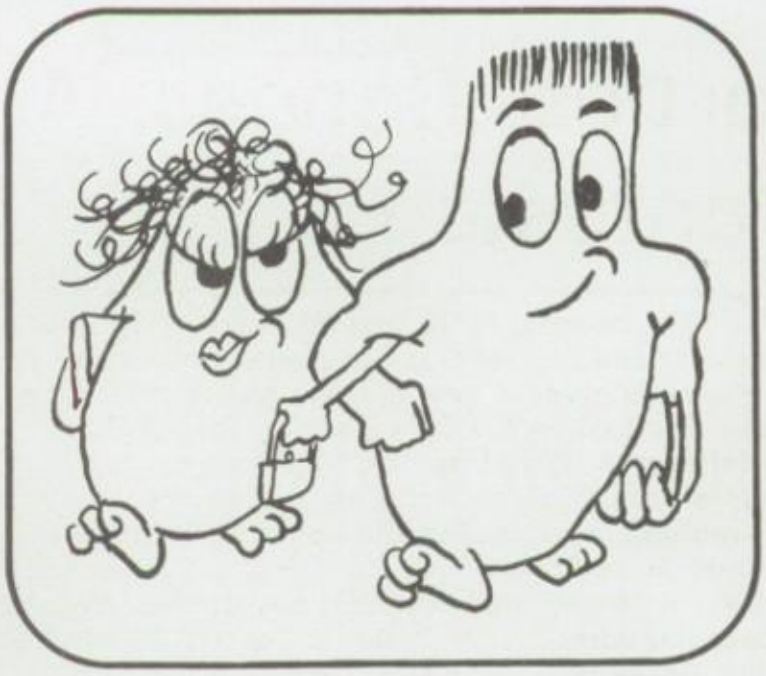
Bunburyist Visits Gibault's Dinner Theatre

The main event of Homecoming Week was the crowning of the new queen. Unfortunately, this year's Homecoming Dance, scheduled for Nov. 26, was cancelled due to heavy snowfall. On Nov. 29 at the Basketball game the candidates and their escorts were introduced and soph. Joan Bruss was announced as 75-76 Homecoming Queen.

The culination of events, was THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING EARNEST directed by Sr. Elain. The dinner theater was a comedy about bunburying. Two men, John and Algrenon, pretended they were named "Earnest" so they could win the love of two women who must marry an Earnest. Sponsored by: Vince Mehrtens and Kenneth C. Bode.

Parties, Dances, And Contests Fun For All

The moving force behind many of Gibault's dances and parties was the Social committe. Parties were given a new and enjoyable twist from the usual when the 50's Back to School Bop, Halloween, Christmas, and Valentines Day parties were held. Games including pie-eating, mummy-wrapping, and passing the apple were quick to draw an audience. Another popular event, Field Day, with egg-throwing and tug-of-war contests, was sponsored by the Student Council. Sponsored by: Dr. & Mrs. A.L. McAuliffe and Mr. & Mrs. Harold Modglin.



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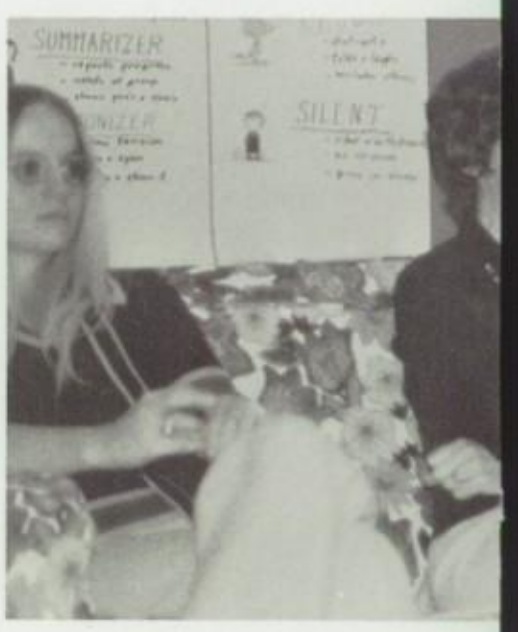
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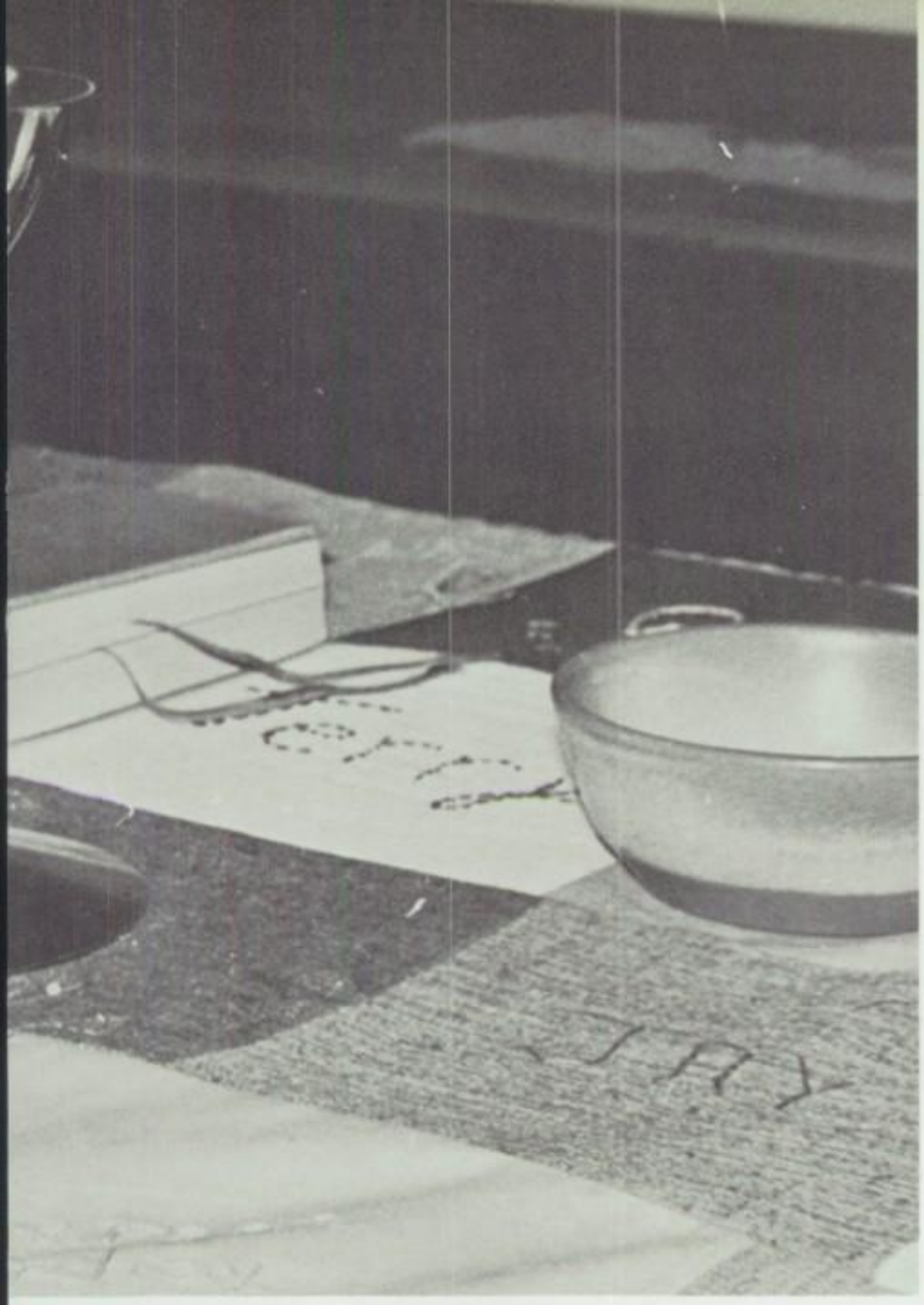


Campus Ministries Plans Masses And Retreats

Campus Ministries, a new committee at Gibault, was responsible for planning Masses, penance services, and helping with retreats. Sr. Martin Marie was assisted by Sr. Alicia Drone and Fr. Bill Row in giving the retreats held at the Ruma, Ill. retreat center. Approximately thirty sophomore in-depth humanities students attended the three day retreats.

THIRD LEFT: Fr. Bob Dollar gives the sermon at a sophomore Mass. SECOND LEFT: Pam Crosson explains her experiences at the mass held for Senior Project. LEFT: As part of sophomore humanities, the sophomores created an altar cloth which was comprised of small cloths with each member's name inscribed. FAR LEFT: At a daily Mass, Fr. Hustedde reads the Gospel. LEFT CENTER: Sr. Alicia, Miss Moses, and sophomore parents listen at a group discussion held on one of the retreats. BOTTOM: Betty Luecking and Lynn Schmitz plan the readings for a Mass. BELOW: As moderator of Campus Ministries, Sr. Martin Marie prepares for a meeting. Sponsored By: Grosse Lumber Co. and Waterloo Motors, Inc.

SENIOR PROJECT 76

Sr. Project Finds New Friends, New Hopes For Seniors

Sr. Project, a volunteer program for Seniors, began on March 15th with students working from Arizona to parish grade schools. The first day people were a little apprehensive but as time passed warm friendships with employers, young children, and senior citizens developed. When the time came to leave there were tears, sighs of relief, and a special warmth in each person's heart which came from knowing he'd done his best and was appreciated. Many students returned throughout the remainder of the school year to their projects to visit friends and renew that feeling of fulfillment.

FAR UPPER LEFT: Dave May helped with repairs at the Peterstown house, a historical museum in Waterloo. FAR TOP LEFT: Theresa Heinen spends some free time talking with one of the Sisters at Clementine Residence. FAR LEFT CENTER: Working with various reading aids at Immaculate Conception Grade School, is Glenn Vogt.

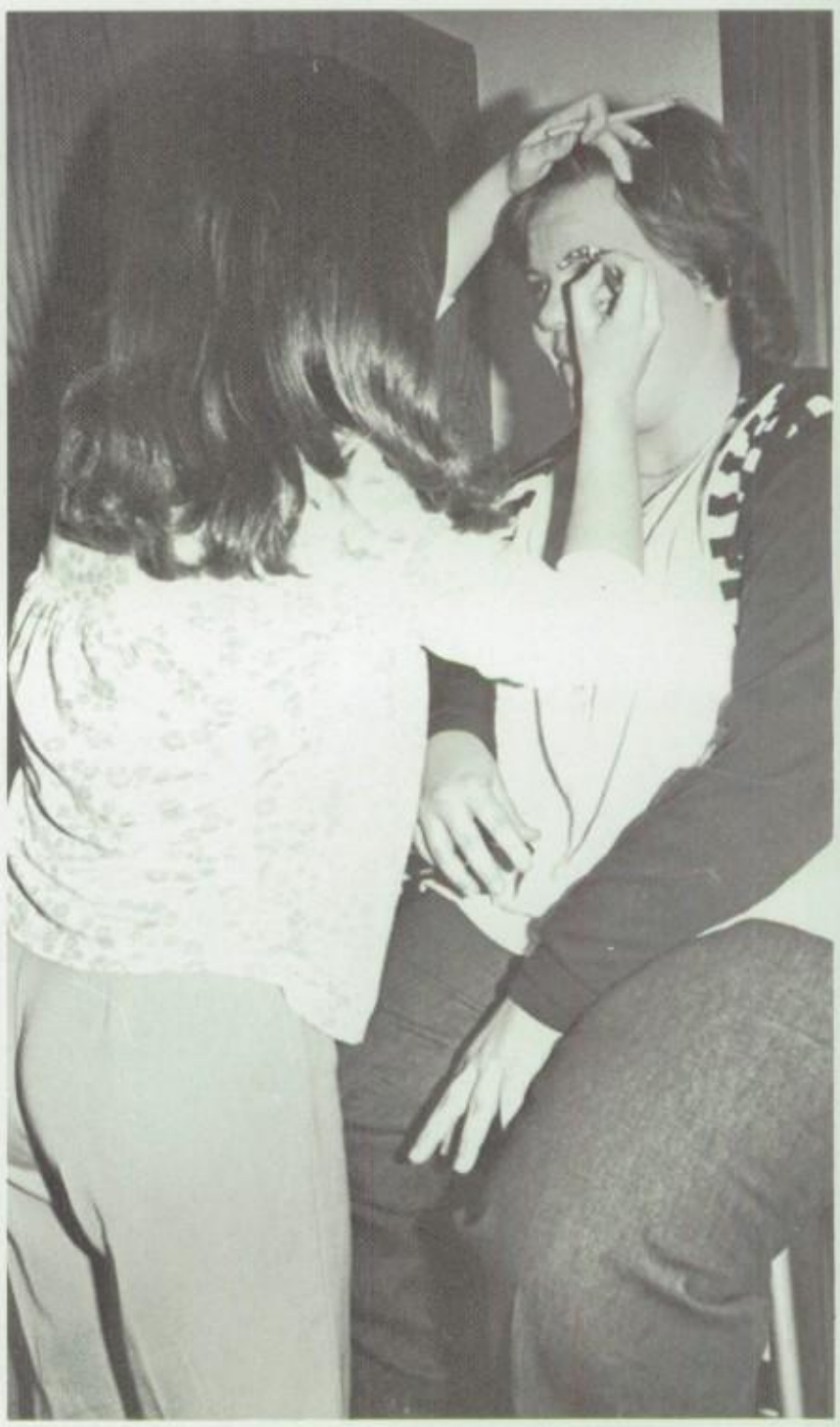
Best Of My Love, Prom Theme

Once again spring marked the time of year for the Junior-Senior Prom. The Junior class, after long months of preparation presented the prom on April 10.

The couples began the night early with a buffet style supper held at the Heritage House. This same setting proved favorable to all for the dance which immediately followed. The prom-goers, as well as the faculty, enjoyed the musical entertainment provided by Creed. At midnight the scene changed to the South City Cinema II where the couples continued their night with a special showing of the movie, "Barry Lyndon". Following the show, the weary couples journied back to Gibault for a Mass celebrated by Fr. Hustedde. Pages Sponsored by: American Legion Post 622 and the Cletus Renner Family.

UPPER FAR LEFT: Robbie Ratz proposes a toast of mints at the prom. LOWER LEFT: Prom-goers dance to the music by "Creed". LOWER CENTER: Mike Larsen and exchange student Beatrice Martinez enjoy a break at the prom. LEFT: Mr. & Mrs. Lane catch the dancing mood. ABOVE: Joan Niermann and Randy Polacek relax at their table. CENTER: Terry Berg and Ann Raeber pose for a picture. RIGHT: After the meal, David Eichenseer and his date enjoy the prom atmosphere.

LEFT: Hansel, Dave Wilde, and Gretel, Kris Diehl, watch their father, Carl Niermann, as he tells Bertha, Patti Stogner, off. BELOW: The witch, Sue Kish, forces the bird, Jill Crosson, to sing for her. CENTER BOTTOM: Jan Whelan makes up Sue Kish for her performance in "Hansel & Gretel". TOP CENTER: Miss Ellen O'Brien sings "Love Will Keep Us Together" at the Jazz festival. FAR RIGHT: Eric Diekemper solos on the sax. FAR BOTTOM: Mr. Bolen along with personal friends add variety to the jazz concert.



Hansel & Gretel Leave Trail Of Laughter

With the help of the cast and crew of "Hansel and Gretle and the Golden Petticoat", the area youngsters were thrilled with songs and laughter. While the children were concerned with the plight of Hansel and Gretel, they laughed at the backfired magic of the golden petticoat. Perplexed as to how that lady got into that tree, the audience throuroghly enjoyed the whimsical fairy tale. The play was performed at the open house on Feb. 15, then went on the road to several area grade schools.

Pros & Amatuers Add To Jazz Festival

On Sunday, May 10, the festival changed its pace. Miss Ellen O'Brien joined the Dance Band, Jerry Bolen, and the All Star Combo from St. Louis to entertain the people with "Jazz in the Afternoon". Showtime had changed this year, it began at 4:30 for the convenience of the people. The music selected for the dance band included dixieland, rock and roll, and even some of today's "dirty rock". Pages sponsored by: Arnold & Fay Mudd and Chuck Baer Real Estate.

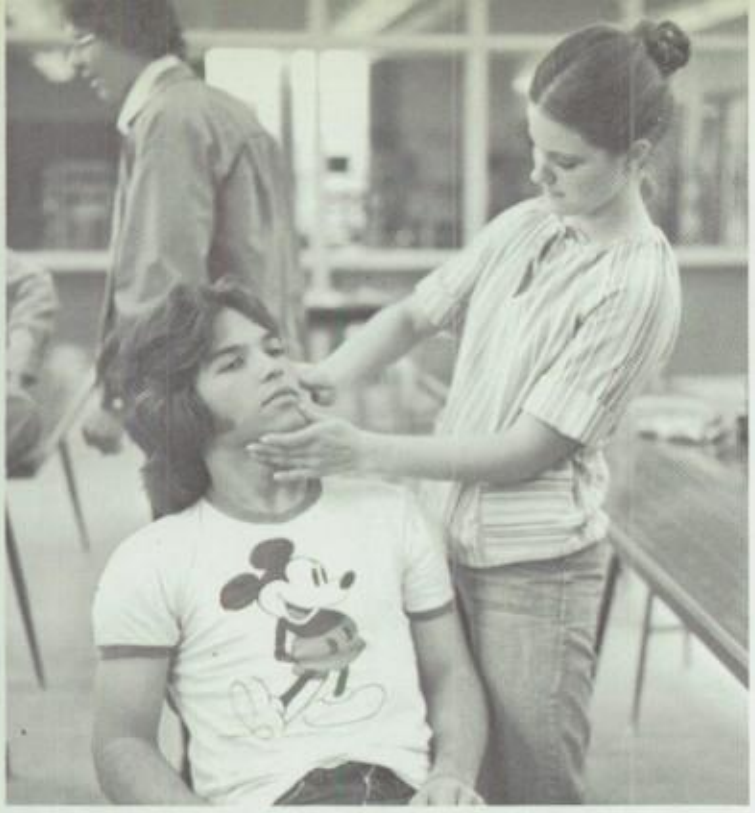
Gibault Portrays 200 Years Of American Growth

Despite the bad weather, festival week began on Saturday, May 8 with the Talent Show. The Talent show proved to be very different from presentations in the years past. The theme of the talent show "An American Salute" was Gibault's contribution to the Bicentennial Year. The Bicentennial Class along with the band and choruses planned and took part in this unique performance. The smaller groups, Concert Chorale and Septet, and individual performers displayed their talent which also helped the success of the program. The songs, acts, and narration began in the early 1770's and went through each era in history until it reached the present 1970's. The show was under the direction of Mr. Jerry Bolen, Mrs. Janet Spencer, and Sr. Bernard.

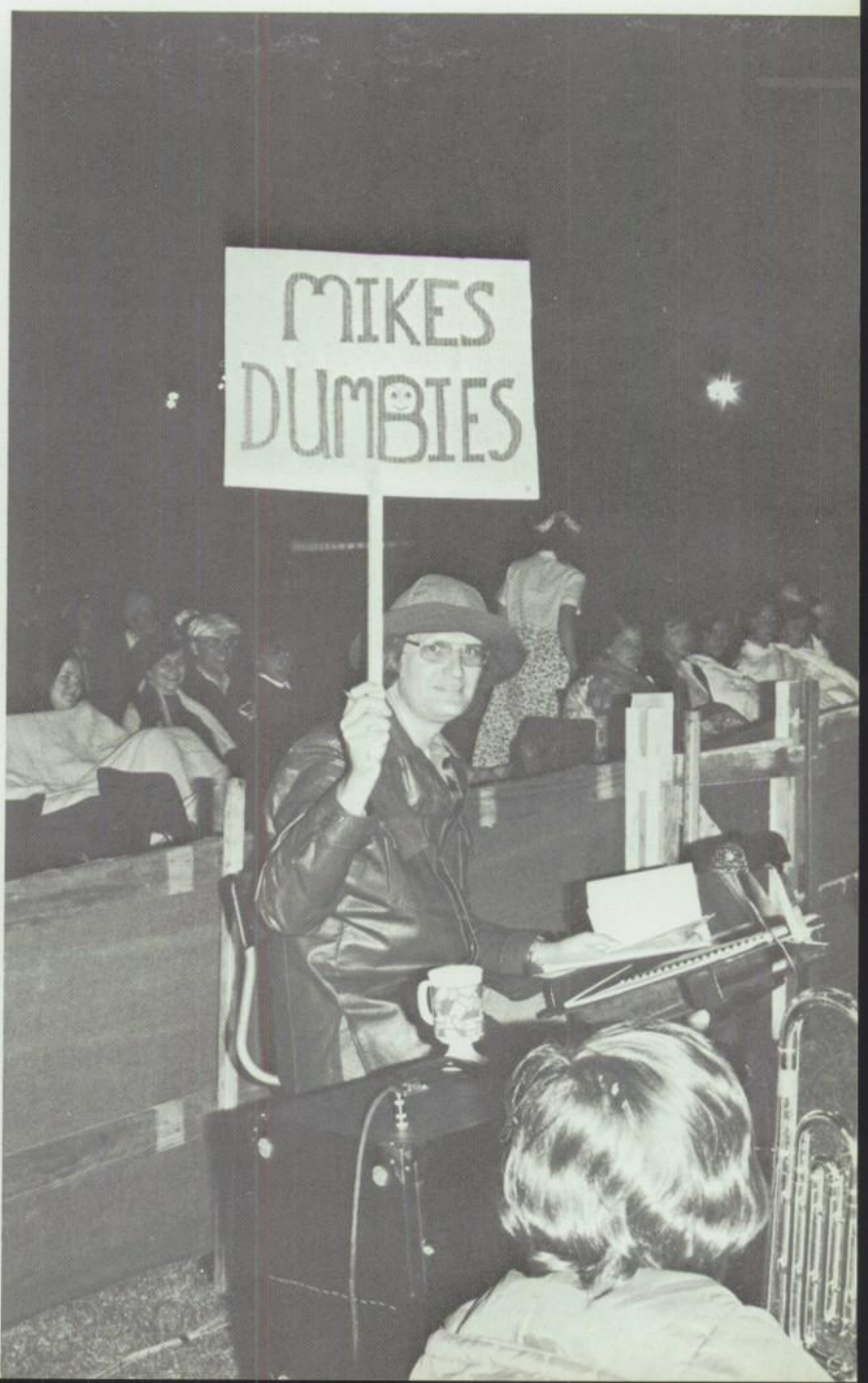
UPPER RIGHT: Jeff Haberl and Fr. Robert Dollar narrate "An American Salute". RIGHT: Mr. Haberl sings the sad but beautiful song "Mr. Bojangles". RIGHT CORNER: Patti Stogner, Jan Whelan, and friends finish their their act "Who's On First". LOWER CENTER: Chris Wilde captures the audience with a song she wrote. BELOW: Mrs. Dermody and Mr. Gant follow through on a grand right and left. Pages Sponsored by: Jean La Farge Realtors and The Earl Niermann Family.

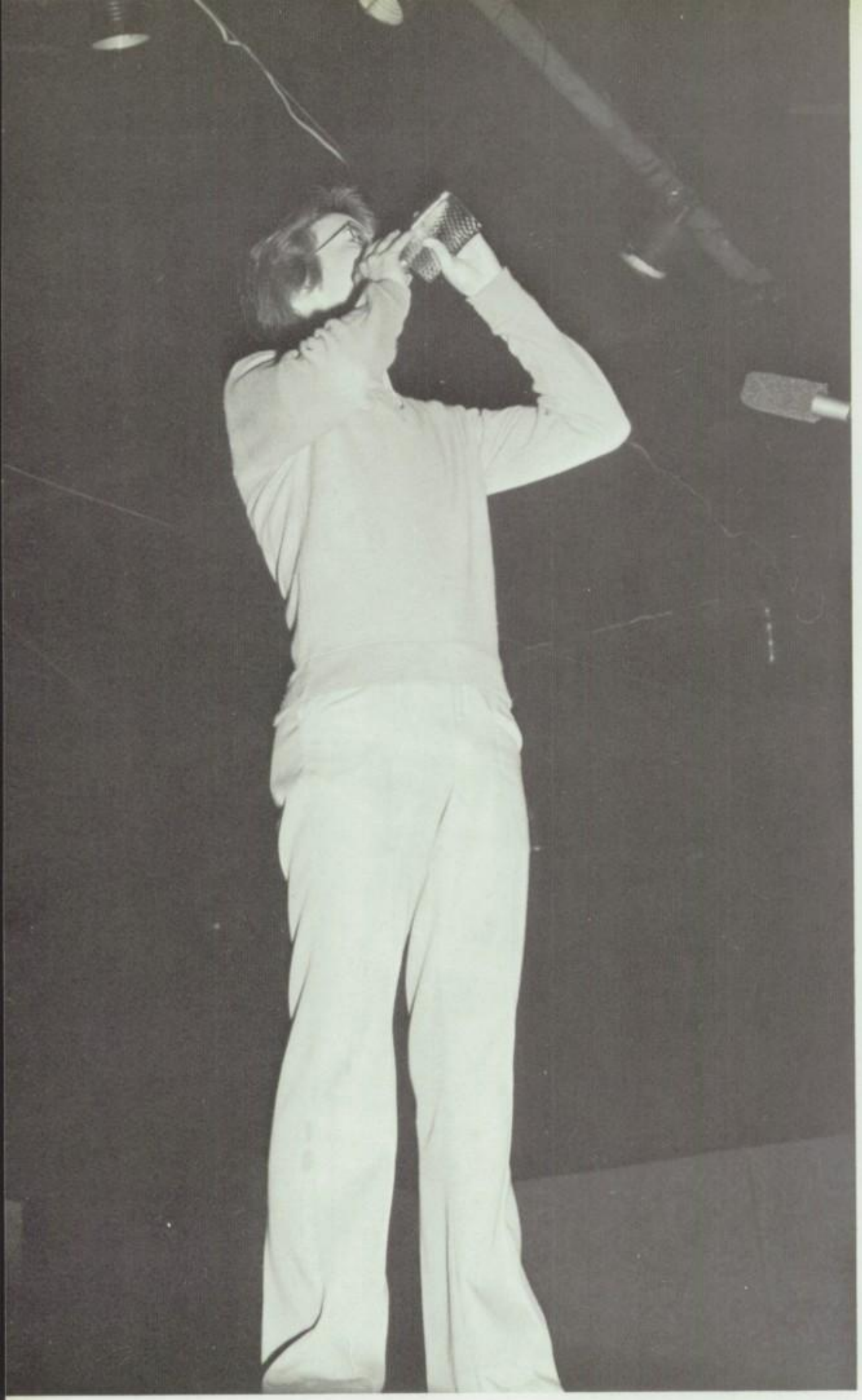
Class Of 1904 Visits World's Fair

Festival week ended with three performances of "Meet Me at the Fair". Although the play was rained out on Thursday, the Saturday and Sunday performances, May 15 and 16, were a success. The closing performance of the play and also the final event of the year's festival was held on Tuesday, May 18. The direction of this year's play was in the hands of Sr. Elaine Freund, the orchestra--Mr. Jerry Bolen, and the lighting, set, and costumes--Mr. Kurt Haberl, Sr. Karen Ryan, and Sr. Regina Siegfried. Pages sponsored by: Columbia Ford-Mercury and Dawn Nottmeier & Mike Markus.



FAR LEFT: Senior Class quartet, Dave Toal, Jeff Haberl, Larry Gant, and Kenny Parker steal their portion of the show with a "hammed up" rendition of "Heart of my Heart". LOWER FAR LEFT: The opening scene of "Meet Me at the Fair: displays the usual Senior class boredom. LEFT: Lisa Smith puts make-up on Jim Modglin before the show. CENTER: Mr. Phipps, Jim Modglin, and Miss Brown, Patty Doerr, discuss their single state. LOWER CENTER: Lucy, Kris Diehl, sings "Meet Me in St. Louie, Louie" to Louie, Jay Stemmley. BELOW: Mr. Bolen displays his misspelled prompt sign to the cast.





"It's Just Part
Of My New,
Sophisticated
Man-About-Town Image."

UPPER CENTER: Lucy (Kris Diehl) tells Louie (Jay Stemmley) that she will never mistrust him again. CENTER: Mr. Hutchisson (Jerry Sanders) sings of honor and decency. LOWER CENTER: Robert (Glenn Vogt) argues with his father (Jerry Sanders) about dating Lucy. ABOVE: The seniors finish the dance "Skip To The Lou" after they make their quota. RIGHT: Robert (Glenn Vogt) hugs his mother (Kris Kelley) after she points out to her husband Robert's interest in Sally. FAR RIGHT: Robert (Glenn Vogt) drinks saspa-rilla from his hip flask.

Annual Awards Banquet Honors Scholars, Athletes, And Special Students

The 17th annual Awards Banquet was held May 18th to honor scholars and athletes. FAR RIGHT: Glenn Vogt and Pam Crosson were recipients of the National School Choral award, Jeanice Bleem received the John Phillip Sousa Band award, and Eric Diekemper was awarded the Arion award for musical achievement. FAR RIGHT BOTTOM: Sr. Karen Ryan presents Terry Berg with a certificate and gift for his work on the TRAILBLAZER staff. RIGHT: Seniors Lynn Schmitz, Chris Wilde, Dave Kennedy, and Eric Diekemper won the American Legion Awards. RIGHT CENTER: The 1976 Student Council officers present a check for $8000.00 to pay for the tennis courts. RIGHT BOTTOM: Mr. Clark Willett accepts a plaque from track captian Ellen Degener. BOTTOM: Jerry Sanders received the Bausce-Lombe science award. Sponsored by: James Carpenter and Mrs. Leona Kohler.

AWARD
John Philip Sousa
Band Award

Seniors Receive Awards In Sports And Service

LEFT: Special service awards were given to underclassmen who helped with school services. FAR LEFT: The Waterloo Jaycees awarded plaques to the Most Valuable Player in all of Gibault's sports. TOP: Mary Becker receives a pin for second honors. FAR RIGHT: Senior recipients of drama awards. They were given for two or more years of involvement in school productions. CENTER: The Betty Croker Leadership award was given to Jeff Kipping. CENTER LEFT: 4 seniors, 2 juniors, 1 sophomore, and 2 freshmen all tied for perfect average honors. FAR LEFT: Pat Costello receives a soccer pin from Fr. Hustedde. Pages sponsored by: Mr. & Mrs. Elmer Schneider and Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Spencer.

Graduation Marks The Beginning And End Of Fond Memories

As 7:00 PM approached, cars of circling seniors debated whether or not to begin to assemble at Gibault for graduation. The reason, a slow but steady drizzle of rain since 3:00. So it happened Gibault's 10th graduation was held in SS. Peter & Paul church, Waterloo. To begin the ceremonies the Knights of Columbus formed a honor guard for graduates, faculty, and the bishop. Before Fr. Hustedde presented the class of '76 a prayer, written by a class member, was recited. Fr. Leo Mueller, former faculty member, addressed the audience. After Bishop Zuroweste gave the diplomas, the faculty response was given by Mr. Kurt Haberl. Glenn Vogt was chosen as class speaker. Fr. Hustedde presented the bishop with a plaque thanking him for many years of service to Gibault. As the class met for the last time there were tears of happiness, sighs of relief, and a sense of detachment from a familiar friend. Pages sponsored by: Aaron & Jane Reitz and Dolores E. Roberts.

BOTTOM: Mr. Kurt Haberl explains the meaning of "nes" in his response at graduation. LEFT BOTTOM CENTER: Chris Wilde and Jim Modglin sing "The Future", a song written by Chris. LEFT: Art McAuliffe receives his diploma from Bishop Zuroweste. FAR LEFT: Father Hustedde relates the sentiment behind the plaque which Gibault gave the bishop. SECOND LEFT BOTTOM: Graduates, family, and faculty listen as Fr. Mueller begins his speech. FAR LEFT BOTTOM: Glenn Vogt, class salutorian reminises about the class' four years at Gibault.

Mr. Wink's Paddy Wagon —

1 + 1 = 1

We're shaken up, then canned —

NO WAY

Power

Antistrophe! — The Trapper —

Snapper!

Bug

A politician will stand for anything anybody will fall for —

Who shall walk the adventurous trail? Who shall tread both bold and free? Who shall "live" to the highest extent? Can you claim "That person is me"?

IN the battle between the sexes, one hardly ever meets a conscientious objector —

Sometimes I ask why? And then again — why not?

Hi there!!

Bad Co.

IT

don't trust you looking in the face wasted

Boogie Down —

Dig it

This Way

Can ya

Asian

Do it!!

Mervin

Greaser

KNOCK — NARC

Hola!

Top SECRET

Ethan

John

Are Mad Dancers!!

Dont Fallicipate!

Skateboarders

Titans

Kotter

Python

Monty

Shoats

Fred in white

Such is Life!

Please

A turtle is a dog's Best Friend —

Emma Goldman will stand up!

We'll like Bobbeeba!!

They

They

Mr. Clean —

Reluctant But Enthusiastic

Yeah!

Ahhh!

And Peabody's it has been done...

In this day and age it takes years of steel to be a neurotic!!

My problem is I say what I think — without thinking!

XYZ — Survival of the fittest!

Intrigue

Let your light shine!

TO ERR is human — Stop Being Human!!

Hello PEOPLES!!

KISS

Viva La Musica!

OSCAR

Turkey

Buster the body-crab

Chow!

Merwin

It's Like this... Oh-forget it — peasant!

HAIL Walkers

UNIONS go under-ground...

ENVIRONMENT

FONZ

Senior Skip Day

To be brain-washed, one must have a brain...

Straight

Get High-

Visit a jon

Join Joy

DECENT!

3001 ways to divert teachers

Squirrels are Nutty!

If it feels Demented — DO IT —

You're Buent!

Hug

the ground

if you love it!

Kiss a Musician!

Support the arts

Hello!

G.H.S.

GRODY

Ingenious Worm

The reason some people complain about the NOW sound is because they have then ears.

B.T.O.

NERD —

Women's Lib!

For the chicks!!

Fear — it's paid for

No Field Day!?

skippee!

Chamoagne

Ugg

Ugg

Ugg

Fall in or Flunk Out!
—The Pussy Cat—
—The Lion—
Hot Pink
Really knew, but can't quite forget - Bikinis - Class wear
Bald Eagles Don't Have A Flat Top
Happy Birthday
Yoo Hoo
Meet Me in Heaven
T.S.
A Bird in the Bush
Usually Was'd
Friend in Three
Where's the jug?
God gave a loaf to every bird.
Smile!!
People wonder what you've been up to
Can you smell that fish drying in the sun
Joy
K.K.
Oliver
CELEBRATE!
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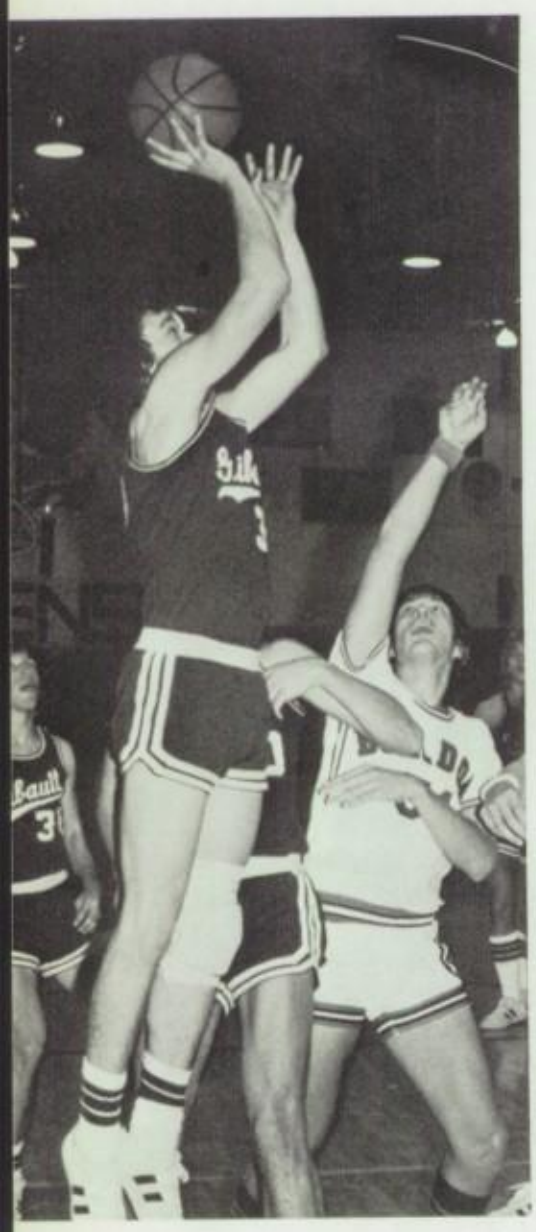
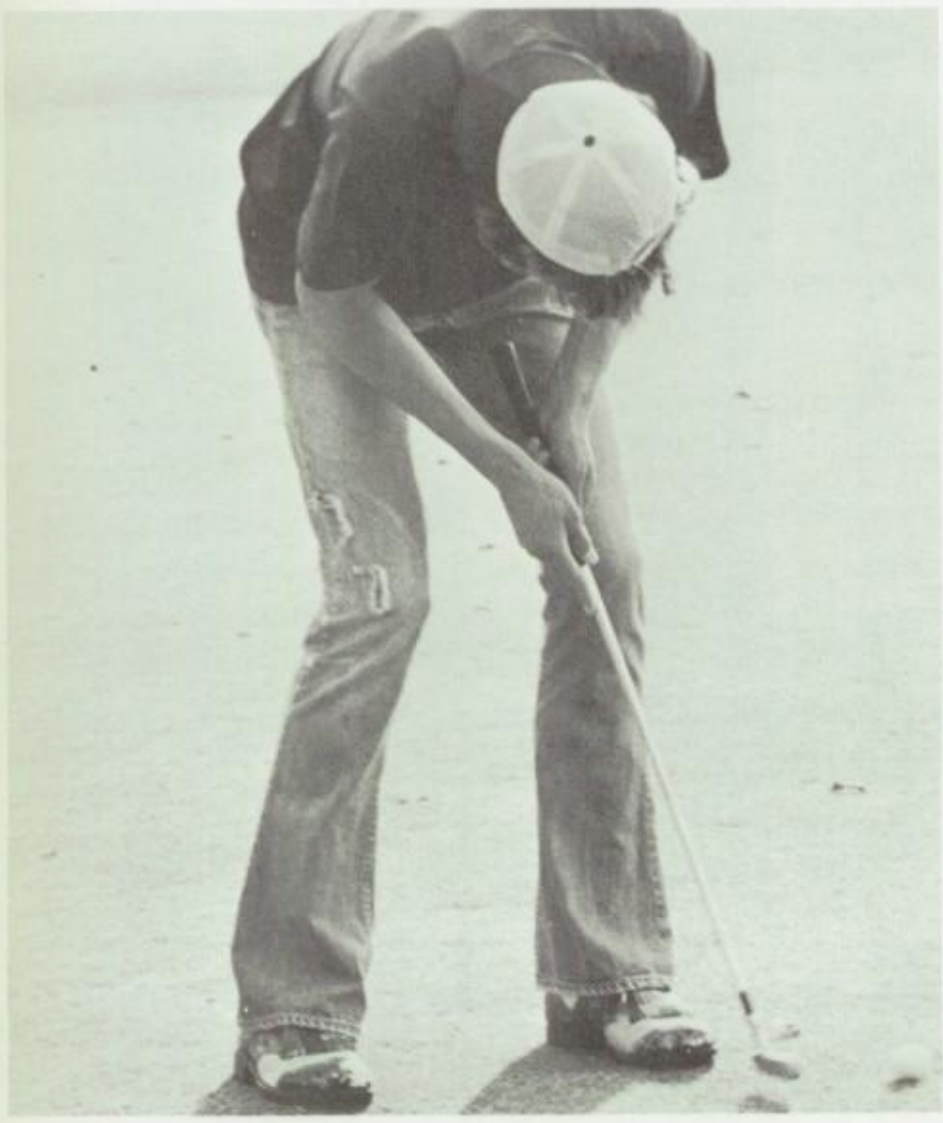


SPIRIT

"We've got spirit, yes we do. We've got spirit, how about you?". This cheer represented the entire sports season. Spirit was a very essential element in Gibault sports. Without the support of the fans and determination of the players, this would have been just another year. Instead, it was a year of firsts. First place in basketball, the Chartres Conference, new track records, a successful soccer season, girls' softball and all the other sports proved 1976 to be the year of the Hawk, and the Hawkette.

	GHS	OPP
Waterloo	173	175
Mater Dei	162	169
Red Bud	161	169
Steeleville	193	174
Wesclin	177	174
Assumption	161	152
Red Bud	183	176
Mater Dei	201	183
Assumption	168	160
Stelleville	173	160
Waterloo	167	156



The Gibault Golf team ended a rather disappointing season with a 3-8 record. After winning their first three matches, the Hawks dropped the next eight, including several matches which were lost by only a few strokes.

The most consistent golfer on the squad was junior John Beelman who set a school record with a one-over-par in the match with Wesclin at Locust Hills. Others who earned varsity letters were seniors Eric Diekemper, Tom Schmidt, Dave Wittenauer, and sophomores Mike Larsen, Brian Krueger, and Joe Benyo.

Led by last year's most valuable player, Eric Diekemper, this year's Hawk Cross Country squad completed a very demanding schedule.

Although the Hawks didn't win many matches, they probably learned more about the growth of corn than anything else. The team was comprised totally of basketball players out to get in shape early, using the vigorous training needed in cross country. It was a successful season for the Hawk harriers in that this year's team discovered how to overcome problems that occured during the season. The team finally realized that the corn field was not part of the course and that you can't win a match by sprinting from the start as one Hawk did before dropping out a quarter mile later with leg cramps.

The Hawks were coached by Greg Lane, a high school cross country star himself, whose experience and knowledge of the sport were of great help.

	GHS	OPP
Assumption	0	2
Cahokia	1	1
St. John	0	0
Alton	2	0
Waterloo	0	0
St. Paul	0	0
St. Dominic	1	0
Assumption	1	0
Alton	0	1
Cahokia	1	0
Waterloo	0	2
St. Paul	1	0
S. County Tech	0	2
St. John	1	3

Junior Varsity Closes Season With 4-5 Record

The Junior Varsity Hawks finished their season with a 4-5-5 record and a ray of hope for future Gibault soccer. Combined with the underclassmen already playing on the varsity, Gibault Hawks should be ready to field another successful campaign this coming year. FAR RIGHT: J.V. coach Mr. John DeVoto talks with his players about a strategic play in the game against Assumption. TOP CENTER: Hawk soccer players discuss the game at half time. Members of the J.V. Soccer Team are: (SEATED) John Gilbreth, Steve Kopek. ROW 1: Bruce Goessling, Terry Naumann, John Novack, David Schroeder, Bill Griffin, Bernie Bleem, Dave Wilde, Marty Koch, Mark Gregoire, Mike Etherton, Brian McMullan, Jerry Gilbreth. ROW 2: Jeff Gregoire, Brad Stanhouse, Paul Breitenstein, Dennis Reinhold, Roger Wink, Tom Toal, Jay Krump, Brian Gremp, Dave Distler, Mark Schmidt. BOTTOM CENTER: Offense players: Mark Gregoire, Paul Breitenstein, and Dave Schroeder scuffle for the ball in front of the goal. ABOVE: Goalie John Gilbreth clears the ball from the Gibault end as fullbacks Brad Stanhouse and Dennis Reinhold watch. Sponsored by Chartrand Equipment Co. & Mr. & Mrs. Norman Beck.

	GHS	OPP		GHS	OPP
Assumption	0	2	St. Dominic	0	2
Cahokia	0	1	Assumption	2	2
S. County Tech	0	2	Alton	0	1
St. John	1	2	Cahokia	1	0
Collinsville	0	6	Waterloo	3	2
Alton	2	1	St. Paul	2	0
Prep South	3	1	S. County Tech	0	2
Waterloo	2	1	Collinsville	0	1
N. County Tech	1	0	St. John	0	3
St. Paul	0	2			

TOP: Members of the varsity Hawks Discuss the opponent's strategy at a quarter break. UPPER RIGHT: VARSITY HAWKS SEATED: John Gilbreth, Jerry Wittenauer. KNEELING: Roger Wink, Paul Breitenstein, Rich Kreher, Jay Krump, Brad Stanhouse, Art McAuliffe, Larry Gant, Craig Shields, Pat Costello. STANDING: Coach Frank Breitenstein, Don Buettner, Tim Birk, Dave Roever, Larry Schroeder, Phil Morales, Terry Berg, Jeff Kipping, Walt Stanhouse, and John Bleem. NEAR RIGHT: Coach Frank Breitenstein talks over training exercises with one of the St. Louis Soccer Stars who held a one day clinic at Gibault. FAR RIGHT TOP: Larry Schroeder, Jerry Wittenauer, and Walt Stanhouse were selected for the Metro-East Conference All Star Team. Fullback Terry Berg advances up the field against St. Dominic's. Sponsored by: Paul Brinkmann Farm Equipment & Mr. & Mrs. Vernon Degener.

Varsity Soccer Improves With Experience Of Players

The Gibault Hawks Soccer team ended a very successful soccer campaign with a 10-14-1 record this year. The experience the players received while suffering through the last two losing seasons finally paid dividends for the Hawks as they had more victories than the last three seasons combined. One highlight of the year was a four game winning streak, the longest in school history. The team had the second best record ever achieved by a Hawk Soccer squad.

The Hawks were led in the scoring department by seniors Dave Roever and Larry Schroeder with five goals apiece. Their performances were complimented by seniors Art McAuliffe, Don Buettner, and underclassman Rich Kreher, who tallied two goals on the season. Rich Kreher also led the squad in assists with six.

Juniors Walt Stanhouse and Jerry Wittenauer both received post season honors by making the honorable mention list of the Metro-East All-Star Team. Jerry Wittenauer also made the first All-Confrence team with Walt Stanhouse and Larry Schroeder making the second team of the confrence's best as chosen by the coaches.

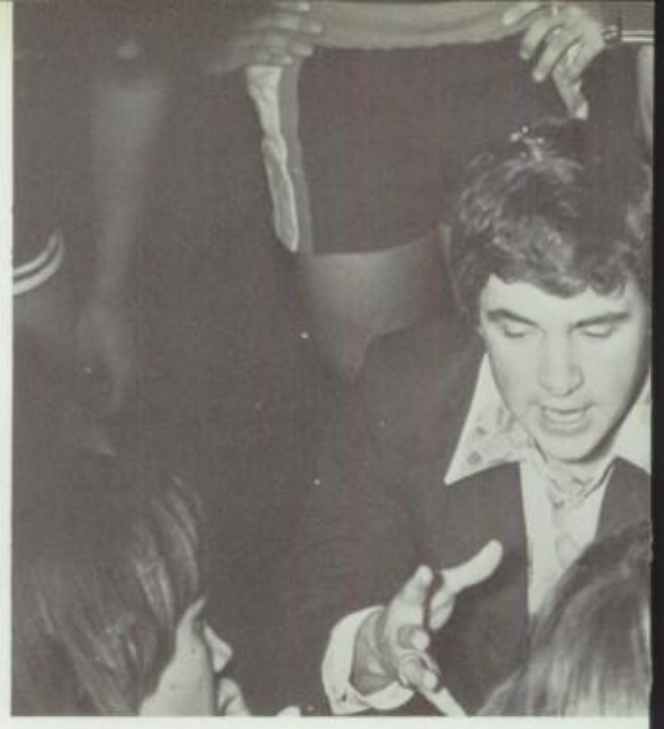
Softball Team Has Successful Season

Cheerleaders Win Ribbons At Camp

The 1975-76 cheerleaders kept the spirit at the Hawk soccer and basketball games. This summer the varsity cheerleaders updated their routines by attending a week long cheerleading camp at Illinois University in Normal. At this camp the girls won six ribbons and a spirit stick for their enthusiasm and their ability to work together as a squad. The cheerleaders this year added their own special touch to the Hawks successful season.

The 1975-76 school year saw Gibault's first girl's fast-pitch softball team. With just 1 1/2 weeks to practice, the squad gave its best to come up with a winning season. The overall record, 7-2, was just one example of the team's good pitching and fielding departments. The girls competed in the Sparta tournament and brought home a consolation trophey. Leroy Diehl and Sr. Bernard's tireless coaching contributed to the softball's successful season.

Basketball Hawks Finish Season At 18-7



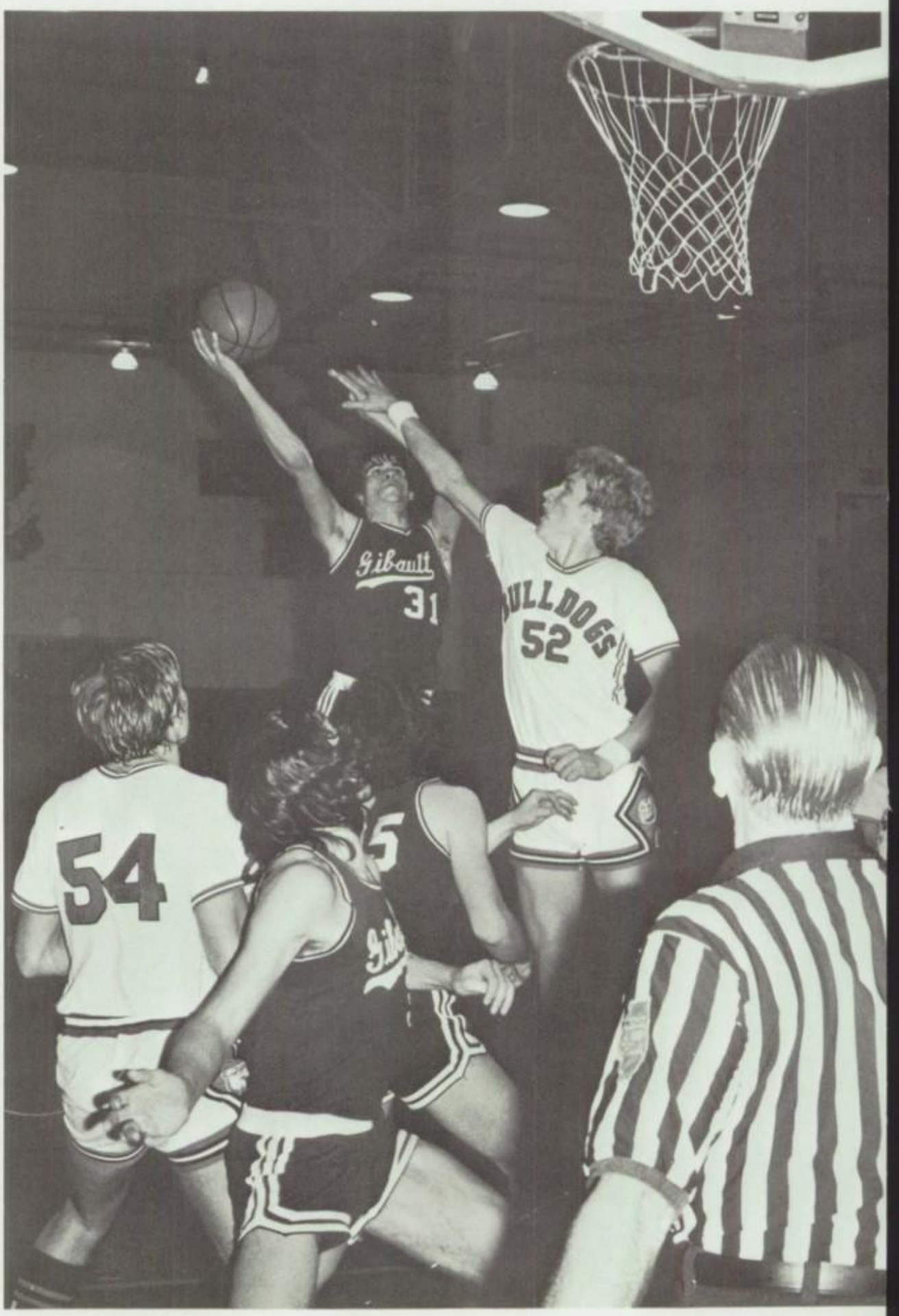
"The Year of the Hawks"

That was the slogan that the Hawk followers began circulating before this year's basketball campaign began. And indeed it was quite a year. For after the dust had cleared, the 1975-76 Basketball Hawks lived up to their preseason billing by having the most highly successful season ever achieved by a Gibault cage team or its predecessor St. Peter and Paul.

It was a year of firsts for this year's Hawk squad. They were under the direction of 1st year coach Greg Lane, who had previously been assistant coach to John Holtschlag. Under the leadership of Coach Lane the Hawks jumped off to a 7-0 start. For his efforts during the season, Coach Lane was awarded the 1975-76 Chartres Conference "Coach of the Year."

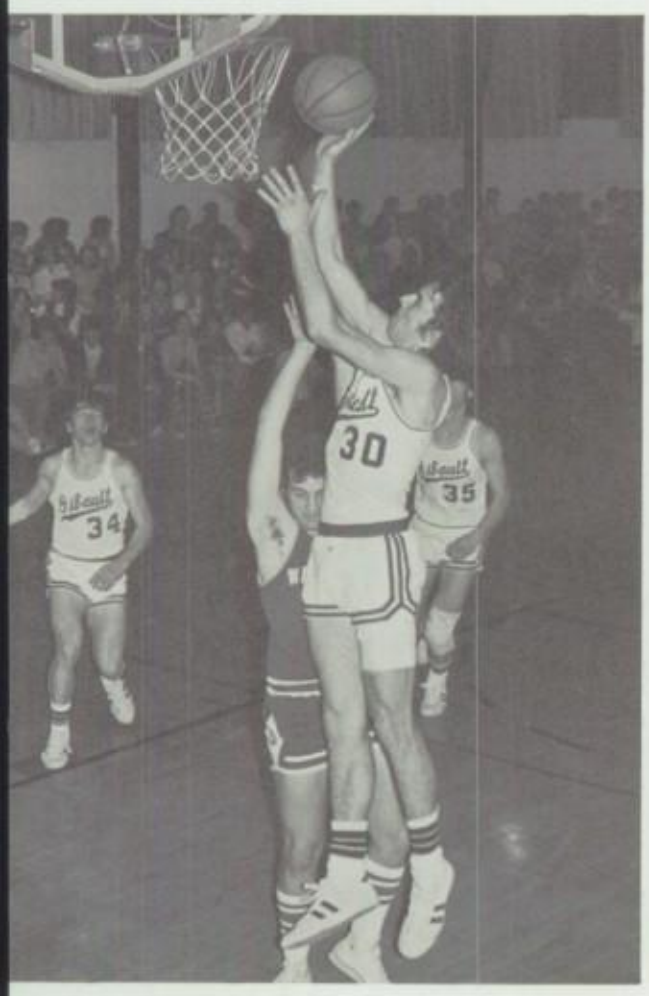
Probably the highlight of the season was capturing the Chartres Conference Championship. This was the first time that the Hawks ever won the conference championship outright since the school's induction into the conference back in 1951. But there were many other highlights as well. Jim Schmidt's game winning shot at the buzzer on a length of the court pass from his brother Tom to nip St. Henry's early in the season. There was also a 3rd place finish in the Rosary Tournament.

Individual performances also stood out. Tom Schmidt closed out his illustrious 3 year career in which he scored 1458 points which placed him 2nd on the all-time Hawk scoring list and 1st in the entire Metro-East area. He also led the Metro-East area in scoring with an average of 22.3 pts. a game and in field goal pct. where he hit at a 65% clip. Tom made 3rd team All-Metro and was chosen at the Most Valuable Player of the Chartres Conference for the 2nd consecutive year. He was joined on the All-Conference 1st team by junior John Beelman.



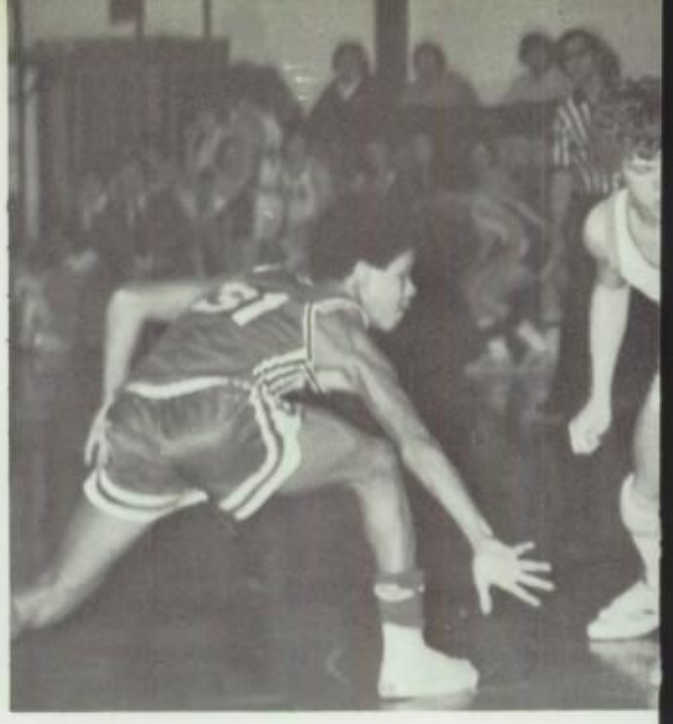
	GHS	OPP
St. Paul	80	59
Marissa	55	50
Assumption	60	56
Valmeyer	69	42
St. Henry	56	54
Stelleville	58	50
Coulterville	70	58
Waterloo	54	60
Lovejoy	68	50
Freeburg	55	72
Red Bud	77	56
Central	68	61
St. Henry	54	42
Coulterville	67	68
Marquette	64	54
St. Dominic	58	60
Aquinas	62	45
Marissa	61	62
Venice	45	71
Valmeyer	83	45
Stelleville	60	44
Hancock	69	59
Columbia	76	59
New Athens	47	54

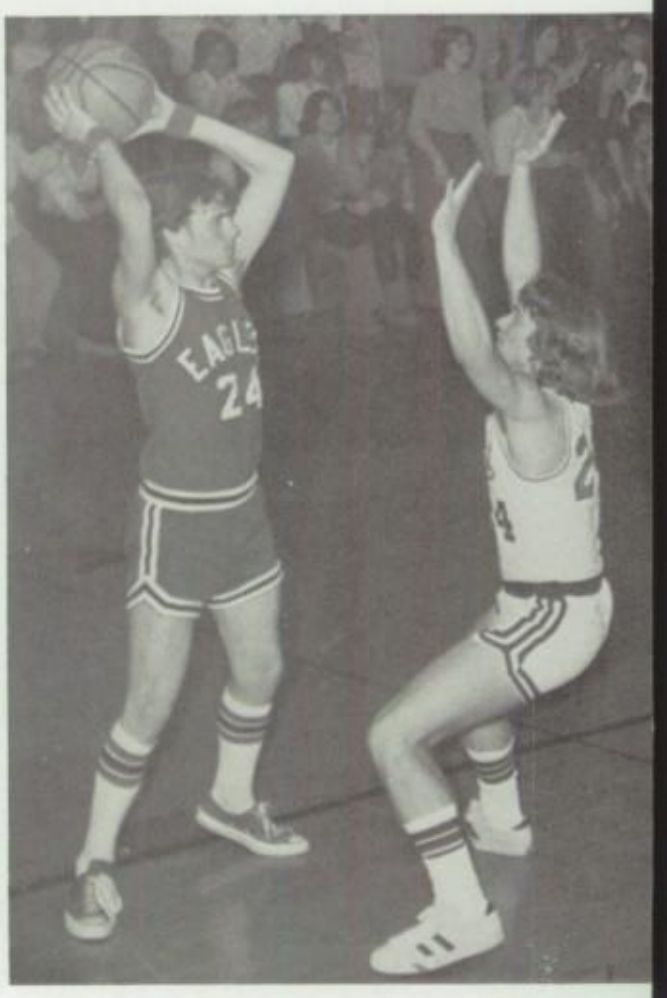
BOTTOM CORNER: Senior Eric Diekemper lets go with a 15 foot jump shot against Steelville. ABOVE CENTER: Coach Lane gives instructions to his team during a time-out. CENTER: John Beelman gets this shot off against Waterloo despite being fouled by the defender. SECOND LEFT: Tom Schmidt scores 2 more as the Hawks Jim Schmidt and Eric Diekemper move in to help. BELOW: Hawk center Tom Schmidt goes up for the tip as other Hawks prepare for action in the Rosary Tournament.



Seasonal Record

	GHS	OPP.
St. Paul	79	49
Marissa	48	56
Assumption	54	52
Valmeyer	69	29
St. Henry	70	63
Stelleville	56	60
Coulterville	68	67
Waterloo	62	69
Red Bud	54	58
Central	56	70
St. Henry	67	46
Coulterville	72	71
Marissa	77	73
Venice	40	53
Valmeyer	74	50
Steeleville	63	85
Hancock	37	49
Columbia	55	53





J.V. Hawks Gain Experience For Future Seasons

NEAR LEFT: Playmaker Joe Benyo looks for an opening in the Venice defense. CENTER: Walt Stanhouse applies defensive pressure against a Coulterville player. FAR LEFT: Joe Benyo drives to the bucket for 2 as the Steelville defenders seem to be clearing the way for him. TOP: Terry McAuliffe takes advantage of a hole in the Venice defense. BOTTOM: Junior Varisty Hawks. ROW 1: Kevin Schreder, Mike Larsen, Terry McAuliffe, John Novack, Joe Benyo, Mickey Doerr, Mark Vogt, Paul Breitenstein. ROW 2: Chris Rietz, Bob Blanford, Glen Polacek, Mark Mardquardt, Steve Sexauer, Brad Stanhouse and Coach John DeVoto. Page sponsored by: Rau & Martin-Attourneys at Law and Vogt's IGA Foodliner.

Girls' Volleyball Keeps Up Winning Pace

Girl's sports are receiving more emphasis at Gibault. In 1973, Gibault added volleyball to its sports department. Since then, the team has been gaining experience and skill through hard work and practice.

The Junior Varsity ended the year with eleven straight victories and no defeats. The Varsity team finished the year with a 6-5 record. Sr. Bernard's enthusiasm and many hours of coaching time helped make this the year of the volleyball Hawkettes.

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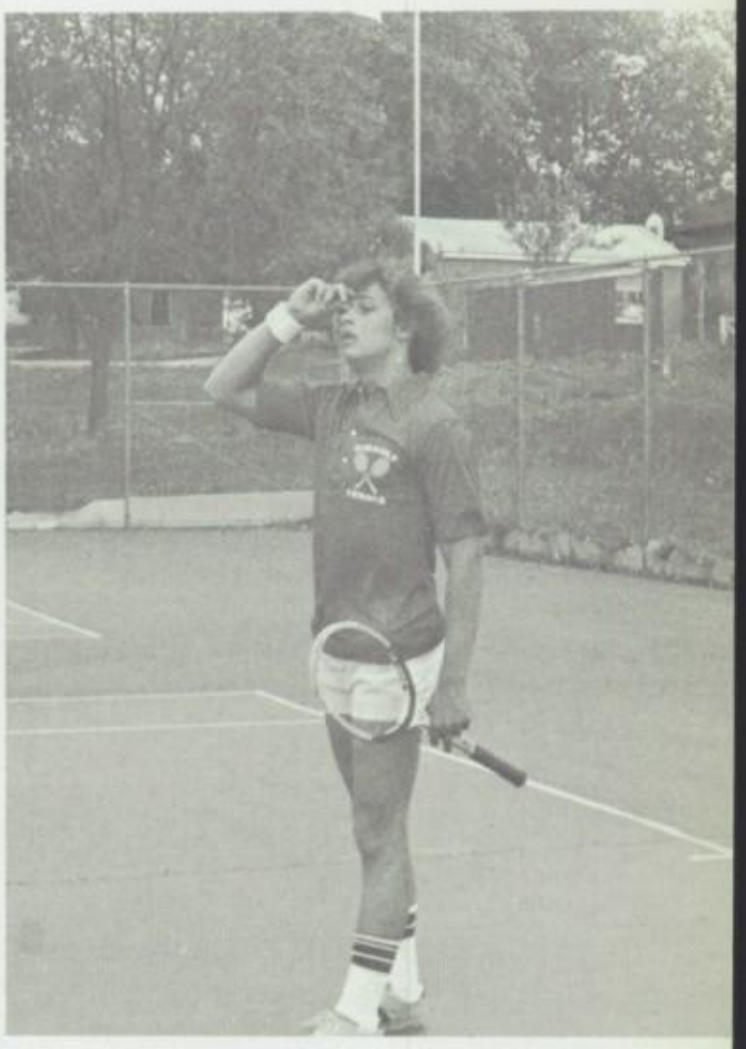
CENTER: Fran Horcher returns a serve at an away game. BELOW: J.V. Team; ROW 1; Madonna Horcher, Ellen Degener, Ann Raeber, Norma Mehrtens, Kris Linker, ROW 2; Janet Wittenauer, Joan Bruss, JoAnn Gregson, Lori Keim, Carol Luecking, and Sr. Bernard. LOWER CENTER: Laura Degener serves the ball. UPPER RIGHT: Tennis Team: Steve Kopec, Mark Schmersahl, Dennis Becker, Kevin Ruby, Terry McAuliffe, Jeff Kipping, Fran Horcher, Joe Benyo, and Mr. Benyo. FAR CORNER: Denny Becker awaits a serve. FAR RIGHT: Jeff Kipping uses his backhand to return the ball.

Tennis Team Improves Season With 9-4 Record



2nd Year Of Track Shows Girls Shaping Up

With a year of experience behind it the girls' track team showed potential. The team began practices on Feb. 1 in order to be in shape for its first meet in April. On April 7, team members ran against Dupo and Valmeyer and took second of the three teams, scoring a total of 48 points.

A second of the team's three meets was April 8, a triangular meet with Freeburg and Althoff, it proved to be very stiff competition. Mr. Willett, the coach, had one final meet scheduled against Dupo on April 26.

This Year's members are: Ellen Degener, Gina Wallhaus, Sharon Weber, Ann Raeber, Mr. Willett, Linda Laurent, Michele Holzum, Joan Niermann, Norma Mehrtens, Carol Luecking, Madonna Horcher, Glenda Bequette, Donna Weber, Kris Diehl, Patti Doerr, Cindy Modglin, and Ellen Raeber.

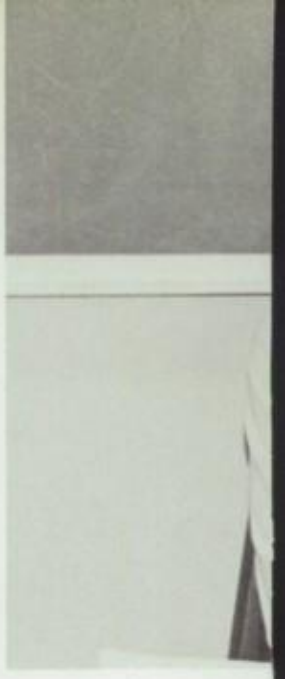
Ann Glessner and Paul Breitenstein are team managers.

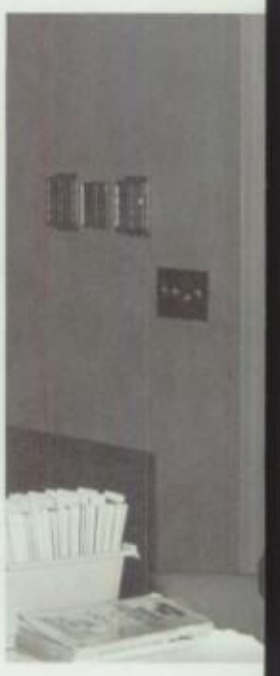
FAR LEFT: Cindy Modglin prepares to throw the shot. TOP LEFT: The mile relay shows skill as Ellen Raeber begins the first lap. TOP RIGHT: Finishing the 2 mile run, Carol Luecking pushes the 8th lap. CENTER: Linda Laurent strives for extra distance in the long jump. LEFT: Patti Doerr easily clears her high jump. Pages Sponsored by: Dennis Vasquez Electrolux Sales & Service and Mr. & Mrs. C. J. Roethlisberger.

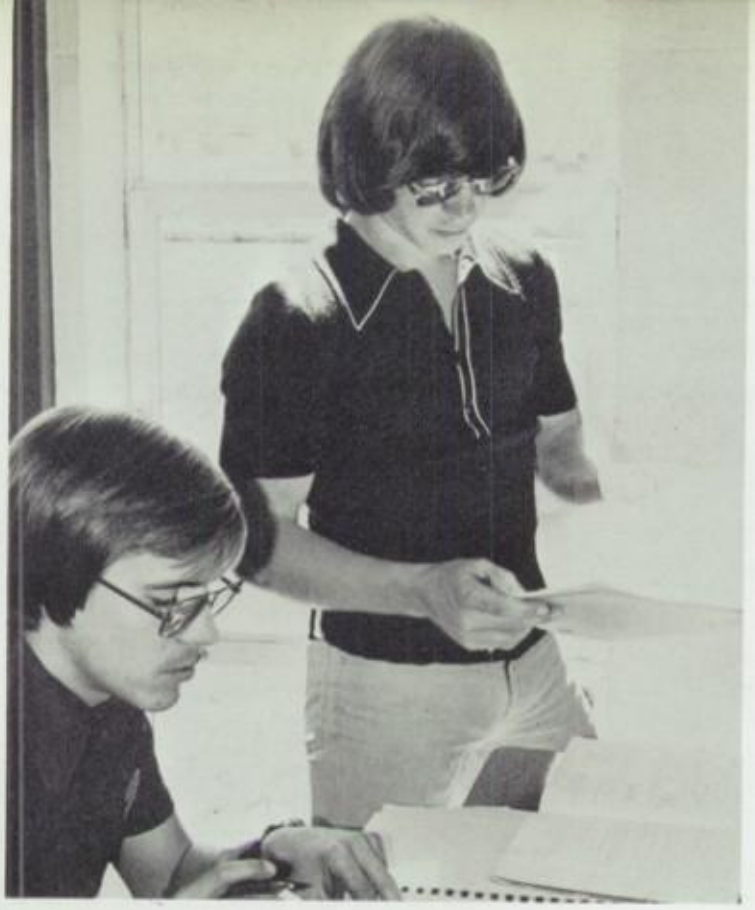
Hawks Baseball Finishes Season With 8-12 Record

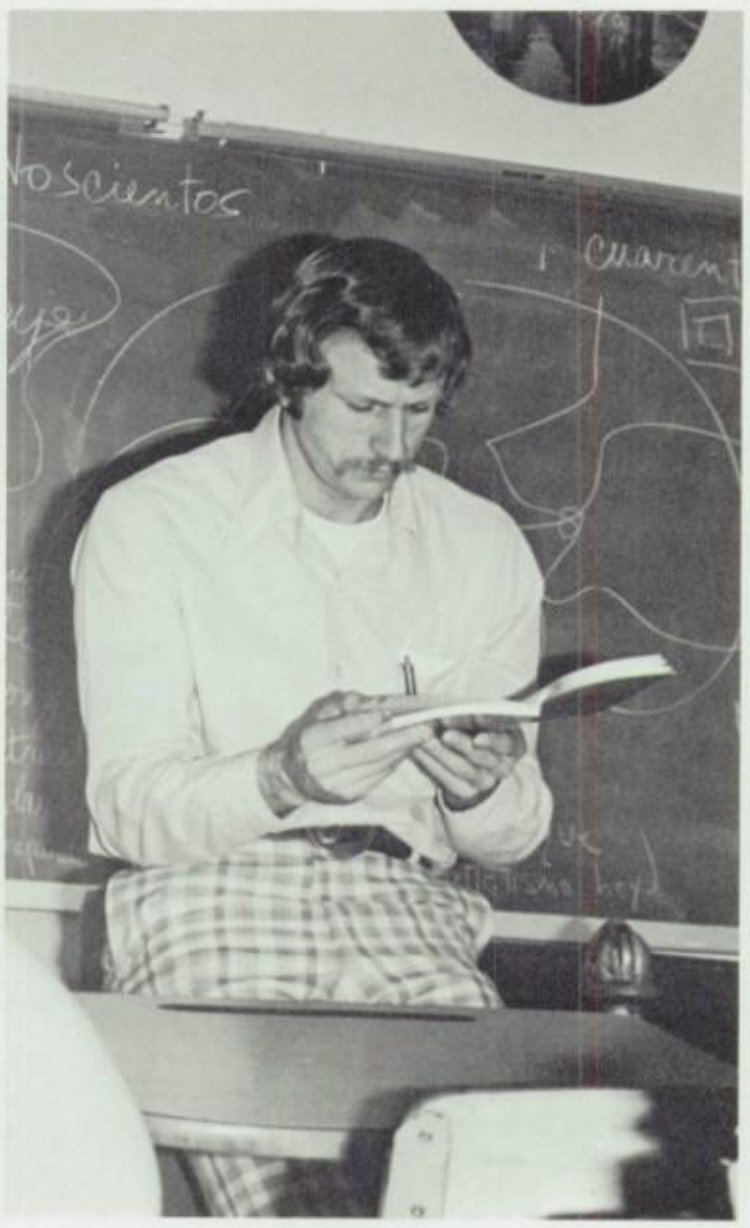
After a slow start, the baseball Hawks bounced back with a six-game winning streak during mid-season. Strong pitching by senior Dave Kennedy and junior Chuck Faus and powerful hitting by sophomore Rich Kreher led the Hawks through the season. After losing the Conference title, the Hawks failed to score in the winning column for the remainder of the season. BELOW: The 1975-76 Varsity and Jr. Varsity Hawks. RIGHT: Mike Kovarik studies the situation as he coaches first base. RIGHT CENTER: Dave Toal waits for the pitch with a 3-2 count. TOP CENTER: Members of the varsity Hawks prepare to take the field. Pages sponsored by: Mr. & Mrs. John Bergmann and Park St. Mini-Mart.

CENTER: Chalking up another run for the Hawks is Jim Modglin. BOTTOM CENTER: Managers, coaches, and players discuss strategey at seventh inning break. ABOVE: Coach John DeVoto gives some last minute advice to pitcher Chuck Faus and catcher Rich Kreher. BELOW: Dave Toal awaits his turn at bat in a game against Marissa.







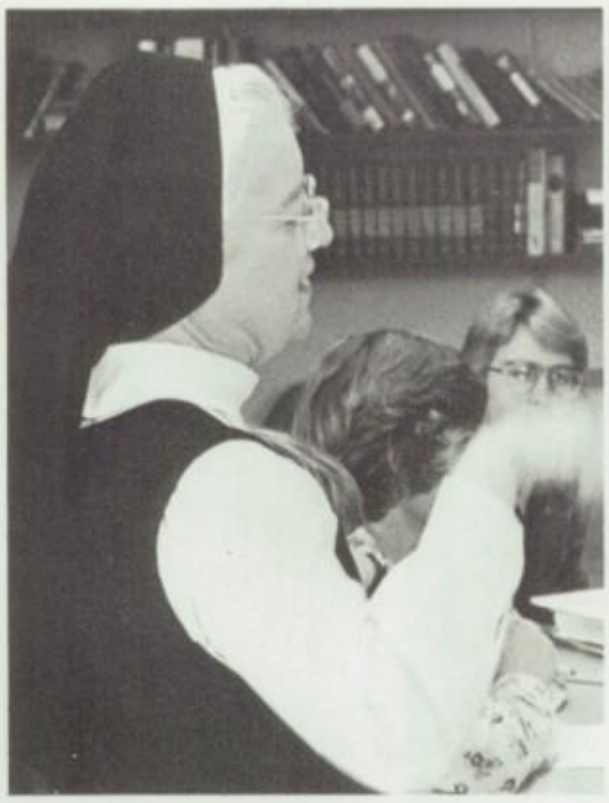


Advisors at Gibault are an integral part of the school's emphasis on students development. An informal friendship with a faculty member fosters an atmosphere of trust and openness which is essential to Gibault's spirit. Students choose their advisors by many standards; common interests, past relationships, and in general compatibility.

Teachers at Gibault are required to have a special ability to relate with students on a person to person basis. Teachers here have a sense of humor, an open mind, a deep sense of understanding, and a ton of patience.

This year instructors made a concerted effort to improve Gibault's standards of education by renovating study environment. They insisted on more intense use of study and free time. They continued to develop the humanities program and initiated courses more relevant to the needs of the students.

ADVISORS

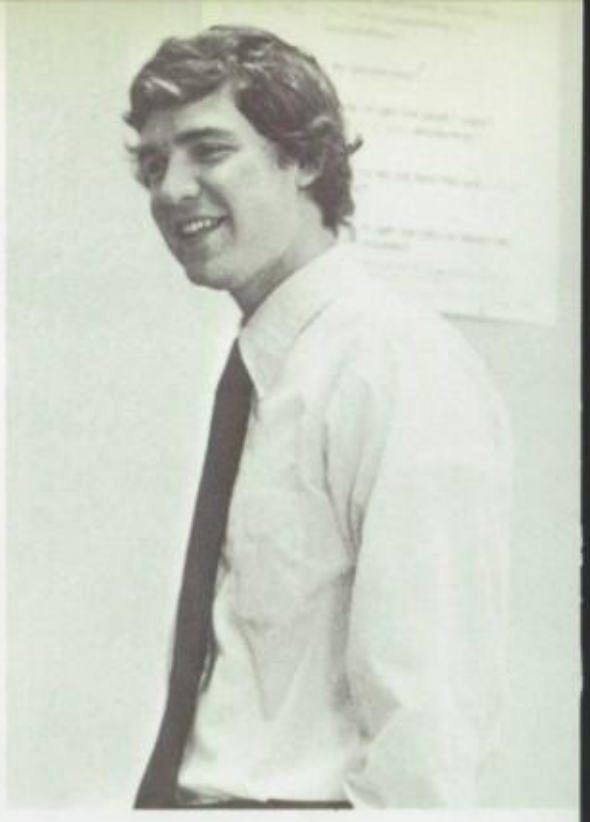


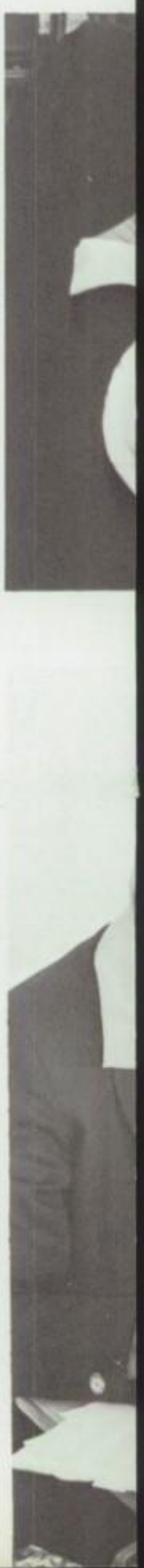
Sr. Bernard Braun again served Gibault as instructor in both American and World History classes this year. Her expertise and enthusiam for the subject often created many interesting projects for the students.

History teacher Mr. Andrew Benyo has dedicated 21 years of teaching to the service of our school. Adding a bit of humor and seriousness to each of his classes, he has contributed much towards his student's fund of historical knowledge.

Striving to improve his teaching, he has attended workshops, meeting and an historian's convention this year.

Since the departure of Fr. Wirth, Mr. Greg Lane has taken the responsibility for the America 4 classes. In class, he developed a plan of group discussion on current issues and basic historical events which affected our country's growth. In his Minorities class, Mr. Lane stressed the roles of Blacks, Mexicans, and other minorities in America's 200 years of development.





History And Science Create Interest In Past And Present

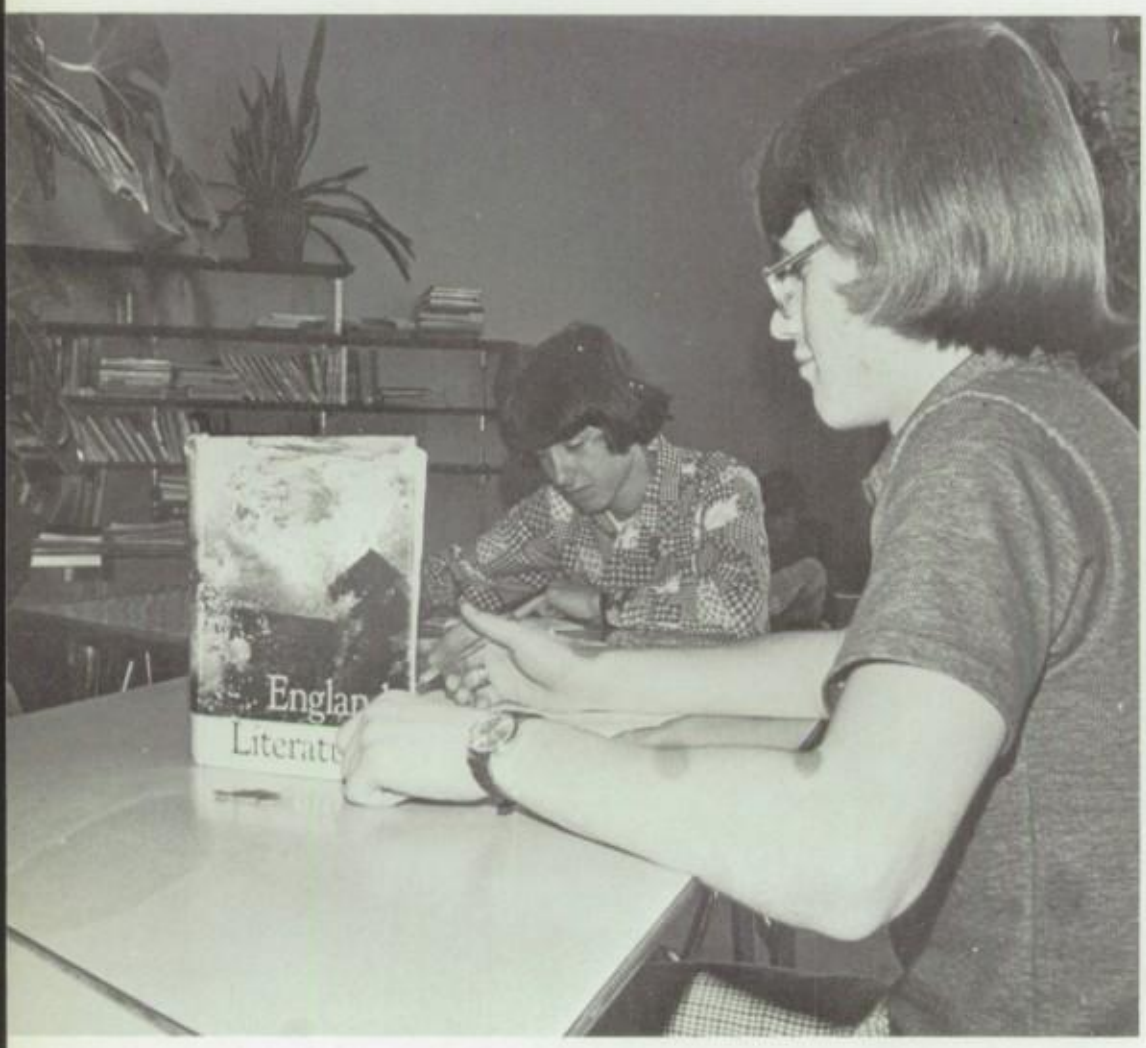
Mr. David Dermody has served as instructor in Chem Honors, Project Physics, Chem Study, and General Physics for the past two years. He created student interest in Science through labs and field trips. Mr. Dermody also introduced an extended study of astronomy to his Physics students.

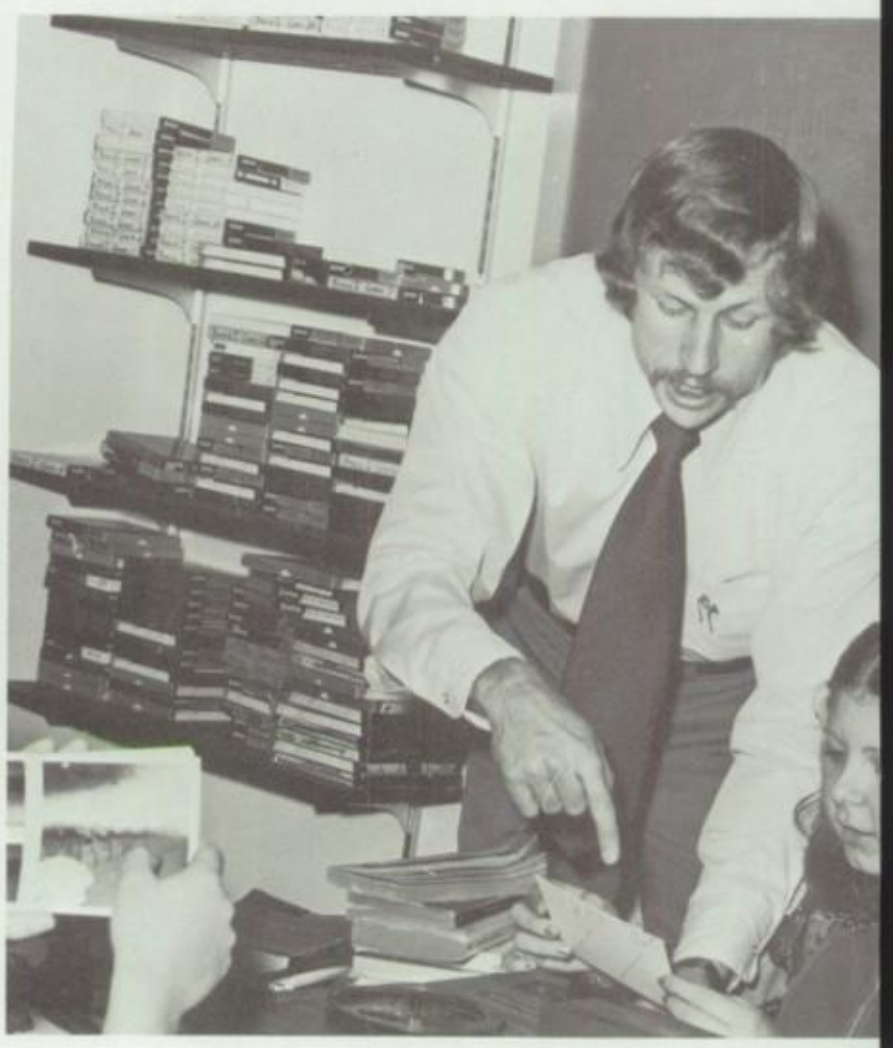
As Science Department head, Mrs. Ann Limestall was responsible for planning the Biology and Ecology curriculum for the '76 school year. She aided her Biology students with assigned labs, such as disecting sharks and frogs. Mrs. Limestall's Ecology class tested area soil and water for pollution.

With the help of many laboratory aids, reference books, and a vast store of accumlated knowledge, the science and history teachers of Gibault offer each student a combination of fact and opinion.

In addition to his duties as Public Relations Director, Mr. John Holtschlag taught several Freshmen Science courses this year. He believed that his General Science and Science 1 students should learn about Science through experiments.

RIGHT: Sr. Elaine listens while Monica Olive, exchange student from Brazil, explains her problem with English sentence structure. BOTTOM RIGHT: Mr. Willet, French and Spanish teacher, and Fr. Dollar, Latin teacher, assist Beatrice Martinez. BOTTOM: Seniors Bill Galagher and Dave Kennedy comtemplate the intracasies of a Shakesperian sonnet. Sponsored by: Jerry Bolen and Mary Kay Pape.





Sr. Elaine Fruend's first year at Gibault proved to be a demanding one. Along with freshmann and sophomore humanities, poetry, drama, and other English courses, Sister directed the fall and children's plays and the spring musical. Much of her time was taken up with practices and meetings for costume and set design.

English And Language Provide Basis For Education

Mr. Clark Willet returned to teach modern languages. His experience of Spanish and French cultures enriched the courses offered. Tape recordings, maps and exchange student's views of our own country's culture were all a part of Mr. Willet's teaching.

Fr. Robert Dollar again taught the Latin. Father's classes were very enjoyable. His ability to explain the ancient Latin roots of many phrases and words led student to realize that Latin was far from dead.

"The following Please see Sr. Regina today". This was a familiar announcement for most of Sr. Regina Siegfried's Students. Although she taught freshman and sophomore humanities, junior composition, American literature, and world lit., Sister managed to see all her students a least four times a semester. Much of her time was given to the humanities program, in planning future classes. Sister also spent time working with the school newspaper, the REVOLUTION, and designing costumes for the various plays.

With a new title, Technical director, Mr. Kurt Haberl returned to Gibault's English department. Mr. Haberl team-taught freshman and sophomore humanities with Sr. Regina, along with his other English courses. As technical director, he was responsible for lighting, sound, and stage construction at all plays, Masses, and assemblies.

TOP: Music and band teacher Mr. Jerry Bolen instructs Kerry Kelley in the tecnique used in various drum solos. TOP LEFT: Parents, alumni, students, and teachers enjoy a "home-made" movie at the Open House held in February. FAR LEFT: Sr. Karen, Art department head, and Lori Keim examine slides for a show at the open house, Sponsored by: Sweetheart Pastries and Ken Donjon--MFA Insurance.

Mr. Jerry Bolen again taught the majority of music courses at Gibault this year. Along with the bands, he taught Music Theory, Freshman and Sophomore Humanities. Mr. Bolen was also involved in teaching music to the Columbia grade school students.

Mrs. Janet Spencer returned for another year as Gibault's chorus and singing groups instructor. She directed the Septet, Concert Chorale, Advanced, Girls', and Freshman choruses. Mrs. Spencer spent much of her time arranging and practicing for contests and special concerts.

Music And Art Departments Focus On Student Talents

Freshman and sophomore humanities, drawing and design, photography, and media were some of the courses offered in the Art department by Sister Karen Ryan. Sister's talents in photgraphy and drawing added uniquely to the classes and resulted in a tremendous student interest in photography. Her background in art history made it possible for underclassmen to receive a solid foundation in art appreciation. A large portion of Sr. Karen's free time was spent on the TRAIL-BLAZER, of which she was moderator.

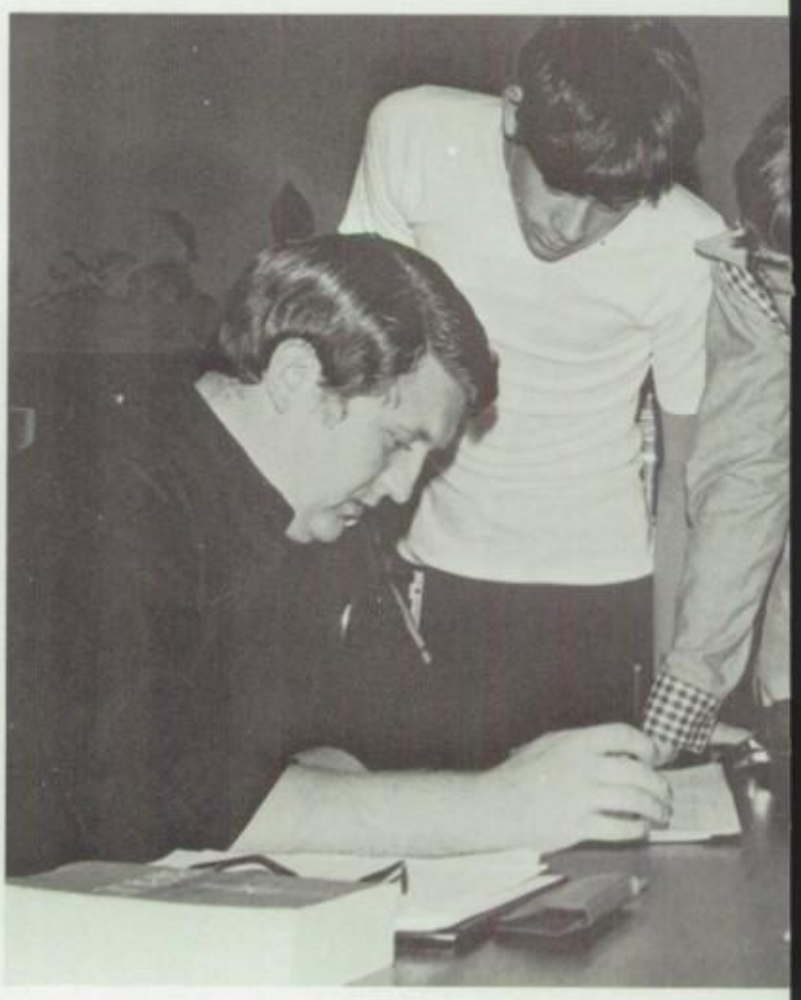
Sr. Joan Shalapin returned to Gibault as part time ceramics teacher for her second year. She also assisted Mr. Lane with Sophomore groups. During the second semester, Sister offered an adult ceramics course in the evenings.

WHO ARE YOU?

"I--I hardly know, Sir, just at present--at least I know who I was when I got up this morning, but I think I must have been changed several times since then."
--Alice in Wonderland

Miss Mary Ann Moses, a member of the Math department, instructed classes in Algebra and Math Honors. When not involved in classroom instruction, she often assisted students with assigned questions and Math problems.

To supplement the regular faculty member in the Religion Department, Fr. Roger Karban assumed the responsibility for the Senior Marriage Class. His demanding but jovial personality made this course an informative and unique one for the seniors.



Math Dept. Focuses On Student Understanding

Mr. John DeVoto continued his last year at Gibault striving to increase students' understanding of Math. His personal touches to Geometry, Trig. and Analytic Geometry made these courses more pleasant.

Mr. Frank Breitenstein came to Gibault well-skilled in talents necessary for his position in the Math Dept. His knowledge was utilized in the courses he taught--Analysis, Algebra II Trig., and Frosh Math.

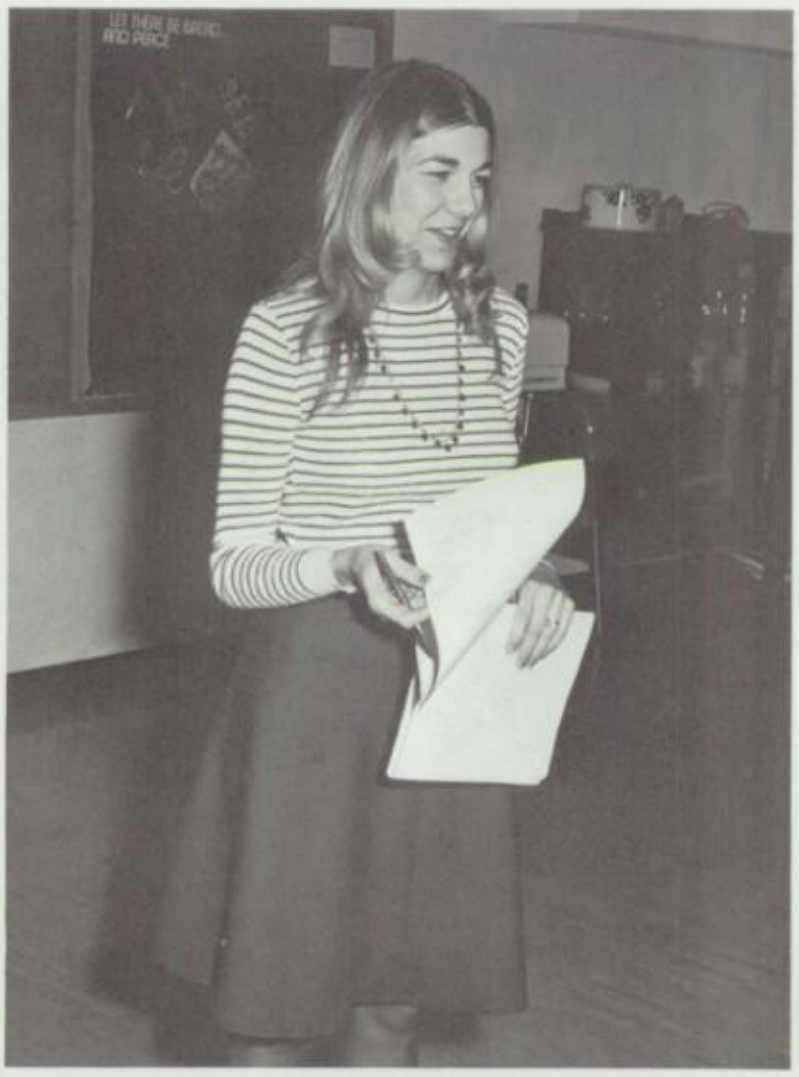
Adding her own special touch to the Gibault faculty, Sr. Veronica Henrichs served the school as librarian and Freshman Religion Teacher. Her even-tempered and loving personality gained her admiration by all students.

Religion Dept. Strives To Emphasize Basic Beliefs

The Religion Department offers several options in upperclassmen religion courses. Juniors chose amoung "Religions of Man," "Moral, Social Values" and "Love". Seniors chose between "Bible Lit", and "To Be Catholic". A look at modern marriage entitled "Christian Marriage" was required by all seniors. A retreat program was offered as a part of the Sophomore religion program. The primary component of the Frosh religion program was the study of the Bible. Pages Sponsored By: Mr. & Mrs. Edward Kelley and Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Cook.

Home Ec & Business Give Useful Instruction

Through her teaching, Miss Linda Castagno helped her students gain insight into the Business-Oriented world. Offering courses in Business and Personal typing, Consumers Education, Business Law, and Business English, she provided students with necessary information concerning business.



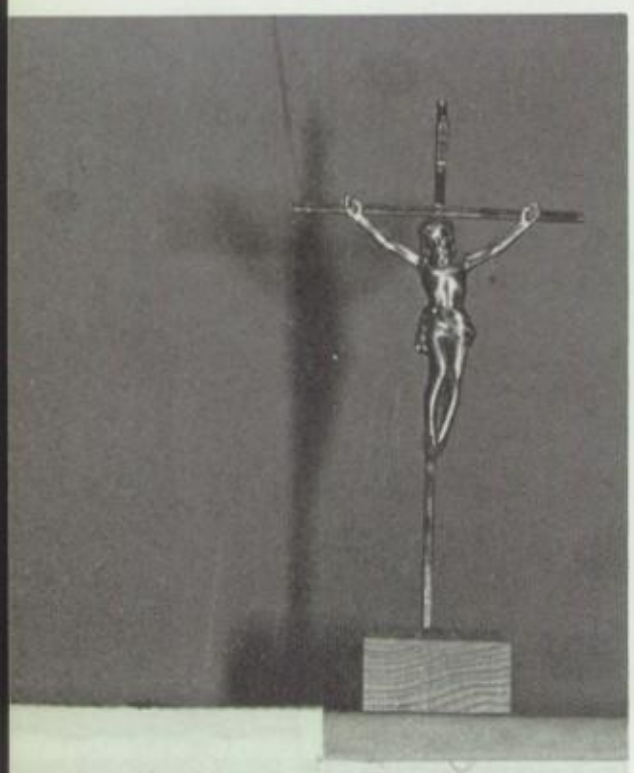
Mrs. Ann Tierney spent most of her free time assisting students who needed help with sewing and homemaking problems. Her courses--beginning and intermediate sewing, Foods, Child Development and Interior Design enabled students to become familar with several areas of Home Economics. Mrs. Tierney was always willing to supply additional instruction to students.

BELOW: Mrs. Jean Upchurch filled in for Mrs. Tierney at the beginning of the year. RIGHT: Joyce Hankammer, Jane Roscow, and Karla Ostendorf sew and relax in the Home Ec. Room. BOTTOM CENTER: Mrs. Tierney grades a garment before the quarter's end. FAR RIGHT: Brett Brinkmann receives instructions from Miss Castagno about his typing. Pages Sponsored by: Aaron & Janet Reitz and Dolores E. Roberts.

As head of the business department, Mrs. Becky Cook instructed students in many areas of business. Her courses--Shorthand, Bookkeeping, Office Practice, and Notehand--provided her students with information necessary to begin a business career. Mrs. Cook also held the responsibility of keeping the typing equipment in working condition.

Humanities, Vocational Classes Form Basic Education

Driver's Education, Beck Area Vocational Center, and the Gibault Humanities Program all formed a basis for firm education in many essential areas. Teachers offered a variety of topics which ranged from small engine repair to the study of Shakespeare. Mr. Roland Kimball was the final visitor from the Humanities center. His evaluation marked the closing of the official program. Pages sponsored by: Waterloo Lumber and Red Bud Auto Supply.



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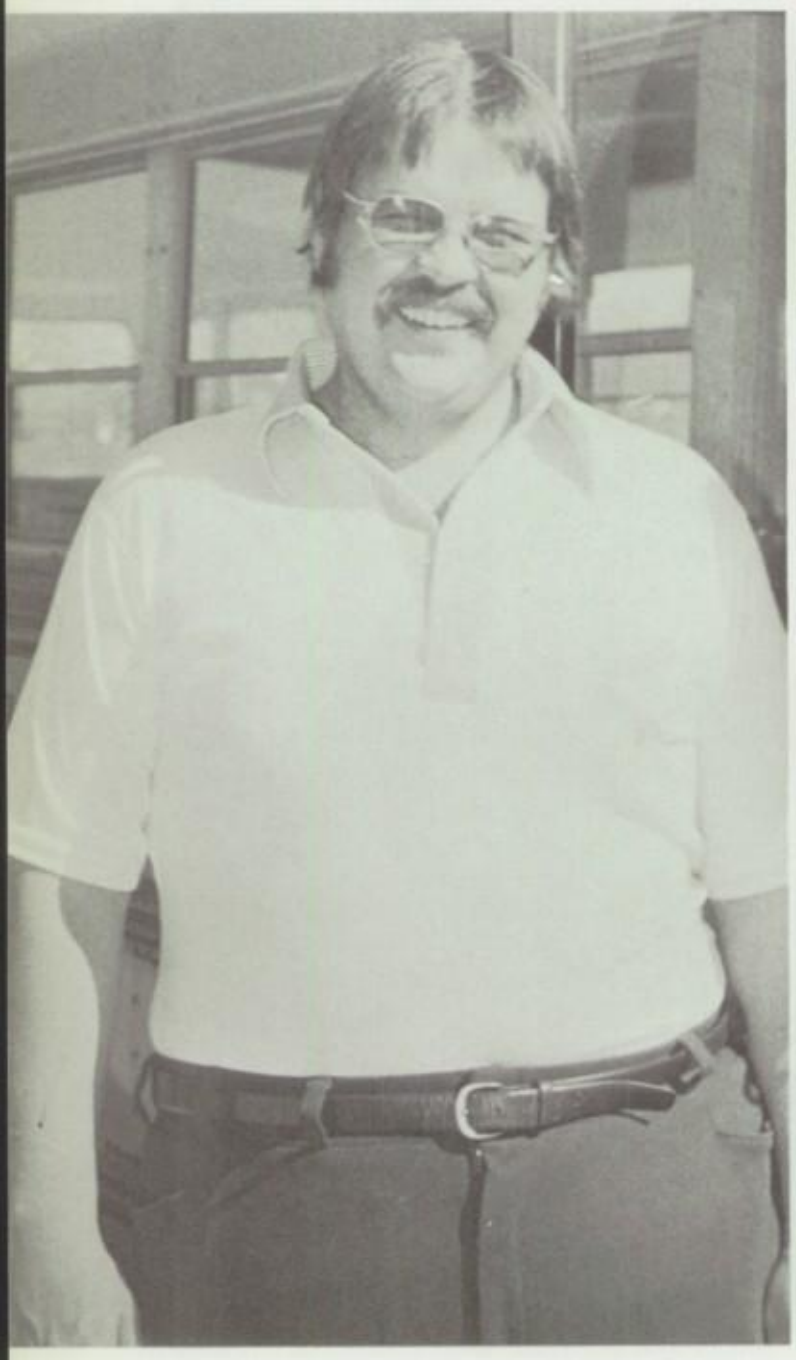
Employees Essential To Gibault

RIGHT: Mr. Walter Kunkel keeps the school in good repair. BELOW: Mrs. Mary Gant keeps track of school income and expenditures. Mrs. Shirley Novack checks transcripts for honor students. CORNER: Bus drivers; Rick Roesmeier, Catherine Linnemann, and Carl Wink. Sponsored by L-K Fina Car Wash and Mr. & Mrs. Elmer Diehl.

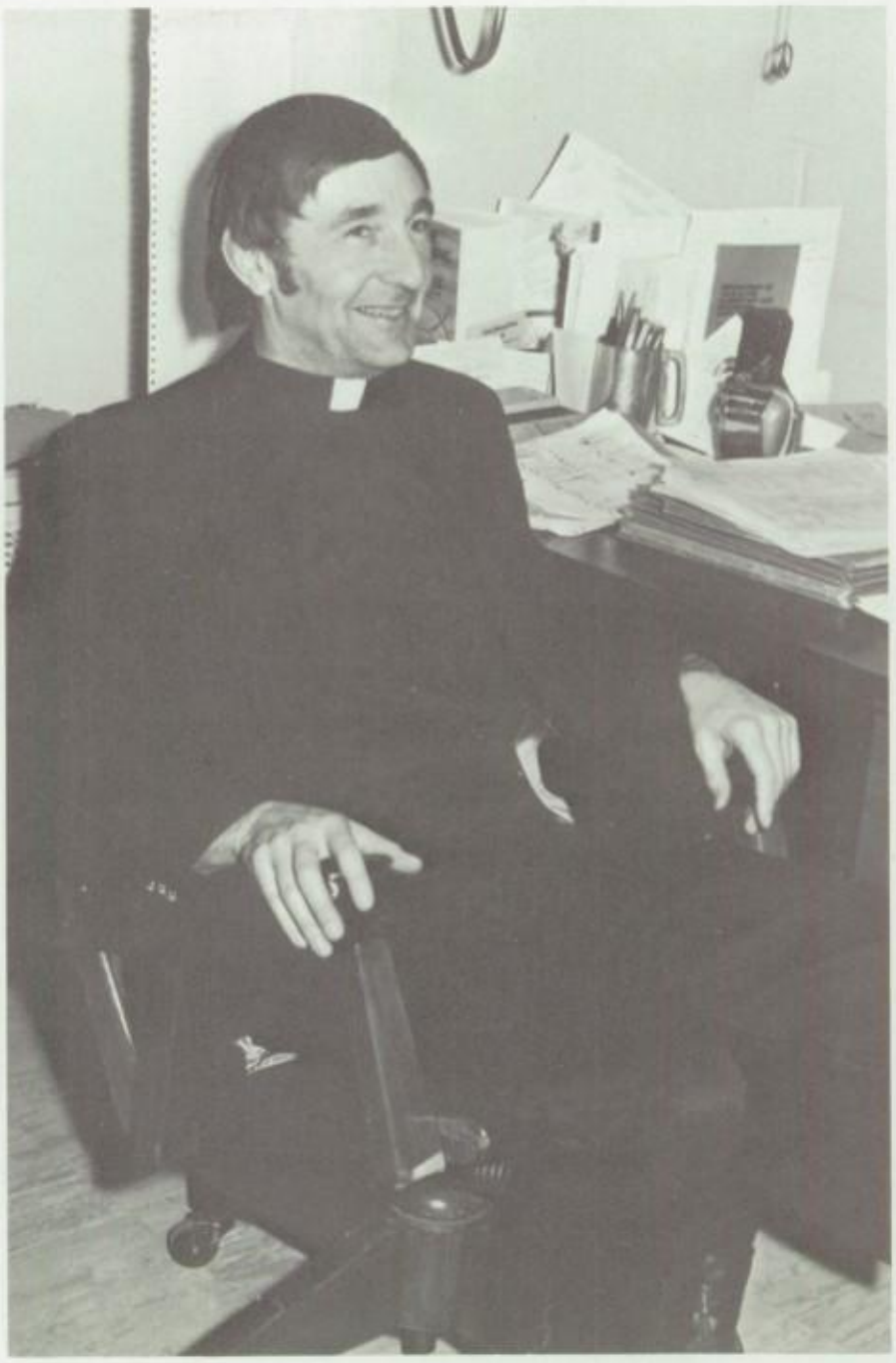


Bishop Zuroweste Supported Gibault Spiritually & Materially

Bishop Albert R. Zuroweste has been a very essential part of Gibault since its founding in 1966. Providing the school with funds and spiritual support, Bishop Zuroweste encouraged Fr. Hustedde's plan from the onset. The Bishop's firm belief in the necessity of Catholic education has kept Gibault functioning through many crises. After twenty-seven years of unabated work and dedication to Christian ideals, Bishop Zuroweste deserves the gratitude and deep appreciation of Gibault's many graduates and students.

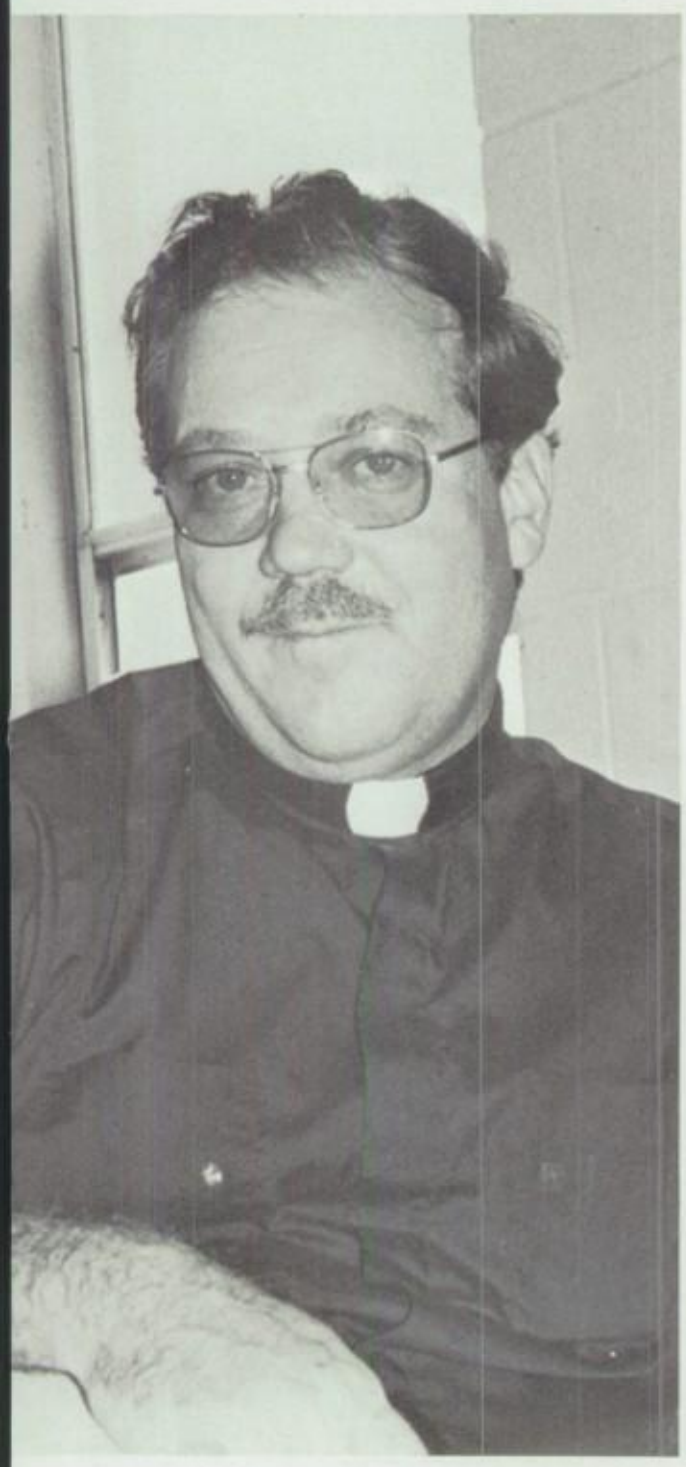
Fr. Hustedde Recalls Ten Years Of Success At Gibault

As the "inventor" of Gibault's philosphy of freedom, Fr. Edwin Hustedde has played an important role in our history. Twelve years ago Gibault was a theoretical idea, but with Fr. Hustedde's guidance, in two years Gibault was out of the planning stage. Devoting much of his time to the campus, Father also took a deep intrest in each and every students educational well-being. Even the newest freshmen could easily form a raport with Father in a few days. Though his time was valuable, Father found time to be the student council moderator and keep the administration of the school intact. Less than a week after March 21st the question will again be--"When's the patio going to be open Father?"! Pages sponsored by: Mrs. Loretta Wirth and Tipton Altar Sodality.



Guidance Dept. Aids Student Career Decisions

Mr. Greg Lane, along with his teaching and coaching duties, devoted much of his time to discipline. By arranging parent-teacher conferences, he was able to note the progress students were making. He also was a member of the discipline committee which met approximateley once a cycle to decide penalities for students



For many years, Father Robert Dollar has always lent an understanding ear and a word or two of advice to students seeking counseling. Father's vast knowledge of college programs and career opportunities enabled him to guide students into suitable lifestyles after graduation.

Serving as the female counterpart on the discipline committe Mrs. Becky Cook was responsible for disciplining the girls.

GROUPS

Student Council, publications, band, choruses, and assorted clubs are all independent parts of Gibault. Through these organizations extracurricular activities are planned, publicised, and take place. Students compose the main portion of the various committees with faculty moderators for each club or group.

Trailblazer, Revolution Win Record Number Awards At SISPA

The '76 TRAILBLAZER staff strove to modernize and improve the yearbook. Head photographer, Terry Berg devoted much time toward capturing candids representative of the mainstream of school activities. As a result he was honored with a first place award at the SISPA convention. Editors Betty Luecking and Lynn Schmitz showed themselves capable of improving the book's design and layout. Under the leadership of advisor Sr. Karen, the staff was able to produce a well organized book.

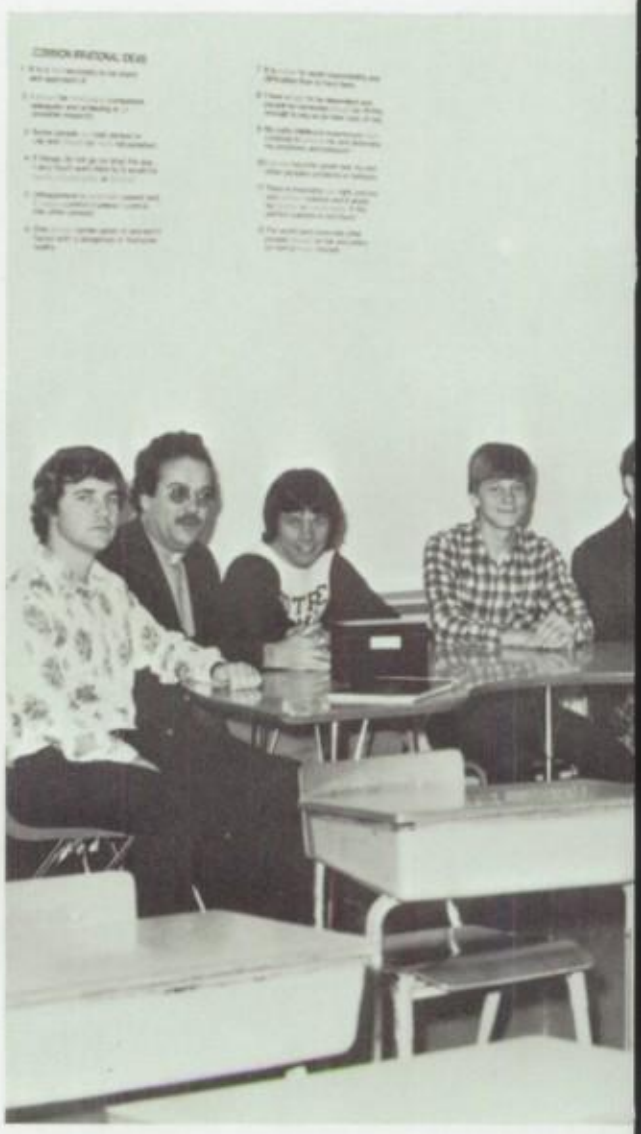
The Revolution, Gibault's student paper, received again the Blue Banner, awarded by SISPA. By working with Moderator Sr. Regina and Donna Kunkel, editor, the six page editors combined talents to fully cover the school year. At the SISPA convention, awards were also given in photography, feature and interview articles. Sr. Regina received the "Advisor of the Year" award.

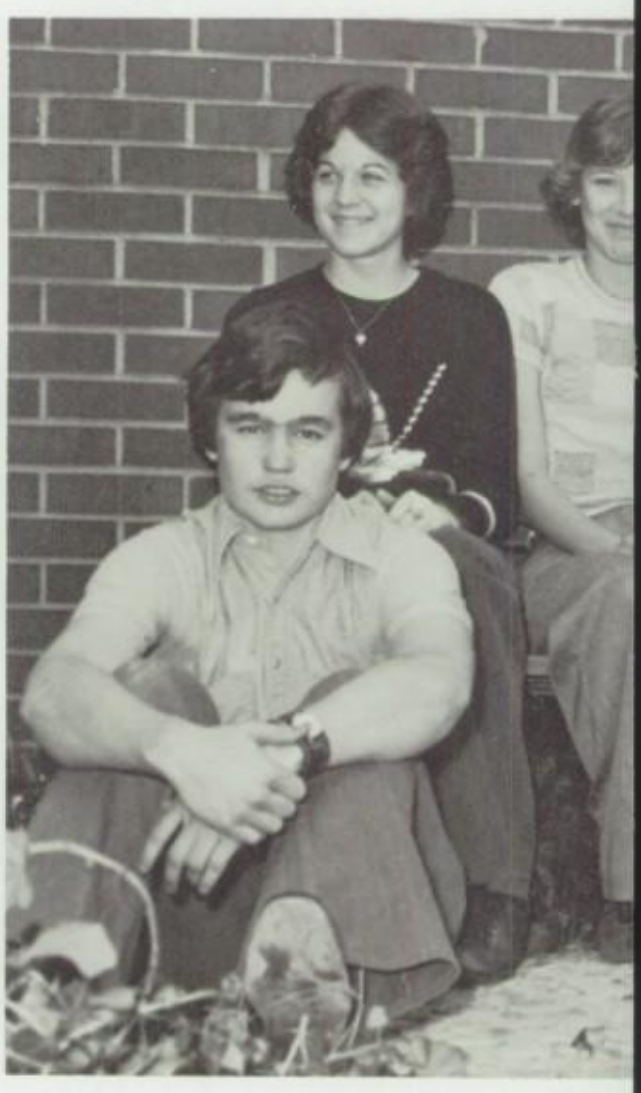
ABOVE: REVOLUTION Staff: SEATED: Glenn Vogt, Patti Doerr, Editor Donna Kunkel, Jane Niermann, JoAnn Gregson. ROW 1: Monica Zipfel, Sally Maurer, Pat Crosson, Jerry Sanders, Phil Morales, Moderator Sr. Regina Siegfried, Mr. Dave Dermody, Dave May, Joan Bruss, Susie Hannon. ROW 2: Paul Evans, Mike Kovarick, Ken Parker, John Hahn, Mark Schmerscahl. TOP: TRAILBLAZER Editor Betty Luecking types copy before a deadline. LEFT: SISPA Awards Winners: ROW 1: June Neary, Kris Kelley, Sr. Regina. ROW 2: Tom Schmidt, Monica Zipfel, Donna Kunkel, Joan Bruss, Patti Doerr. ROW 3: Maurice Koesterer, Terry Berg. FAR LEFT: Sr. Regina and photographer Terry Berg confer over picture composition and layout design.

Student Council Sponsors Activities Which Involve The Entire School

The 1975-76 Student Council was responsible for many activities throughout the school year. They sponsored the Back to School Bop, Halloween Party, Thanksgiving Drive, Valentine, and Christmas Parties. A sustained effort to keep the cafeteria clean was undertaken by the Student Council representatives. Council members were also responsible for setting up a new system for using the lounge. Lounge supervisers volunteered 40 minutes of their time to keep the area free of debris. There were various tournaments through the year such as ping-pong and foozeball.

Student Council president Jeff Kipping and Officers Jan Whelan, Jerry Wittenauer, and Larry Gant offered leadership and fresh ideas to keep interest in the Council from dwindling. They also took on the responsibility for planning and supervising the Student Council Activities. This year the Student Council revived the spirit which was lacking at the beginning of the school year. The Student Council also gave a loan to the School Board for use in paying off the new bus. Sponsored by: Mr. & Mrs. Edward Kelley and St. Clement Hospital.





Lounge Improves Under New Supervision System

RIGHT: Seniors Chris Wilde and Carol Weber prepare a banner for the Booster Banquet. As Members of the Publicity Committe, they were responsible for advertising and announcing coming events at Gibault. LOWER RIGHT: The 1976 Lounge Committe vastly improved the situation in comparision to previous years. Kevin Steppig, Jack Voracek, Jan Whelan, Cheryl Remiger, Karen Janson, David Roever, Larry Gant, Monica Zipfel, Jeff Kipping, Betty Luecking, Anne Wittenauer, June Neary, Chris Wilde, Donna Kunkel, Chris Reitz, Larry Schroeder, Jerry Sanders, Don Buettner, Jerry Wittenauer, and Glenn Vogt volunteered their time to supervise activities in the lounge. UPPER RIGHT: Student Council officers Jeff Kipping, president, Larry Gant, vice-president, Jan Whelan, secretary, and Jerry Wittenauer, treasure presented the Council with many ideas for activities and money making projects. FAR RIGHT: Civics Committe members Ann Roethlisberger, Joni Dorn, and Brenda Schreder assisted committe head Jan Whelan in planning parties for the handicapped children and conducting the Muscular Distrophy and UNICEF drives. Sponsored By: Alan, Leon, and Judy Biffar and Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Asselmeir.

NHS, Photo, And Radio Clubs Become Active

At the outset of this year the National Honor Society found itself searching for a moderator. The search was successfully completed when Mr. Kurt Haberl, of the English department, volunteered for the job. Under his supervision and direction the society went about reforming the process of selecting new members. By spring, the improvements, which included the induction of sophomores for the first time, were complete.

Looking ahead, the NHS made plans for supervision of school elections and evaluations for next year.

The Photo Club enjoyed an increase in enthusiastic hard-working members. Throughout the year both beginning and advanced students contributed their best efforts to the school's publications. 1976 saw more photographers than ever before eager to cover important events, to capture candids around school, to develop film and to print pictures needed for publicity.

In mid-year and end of the year exhibits, the Photo Club members presented black and white prints which demonstrated an increased understanding of photographic quality.

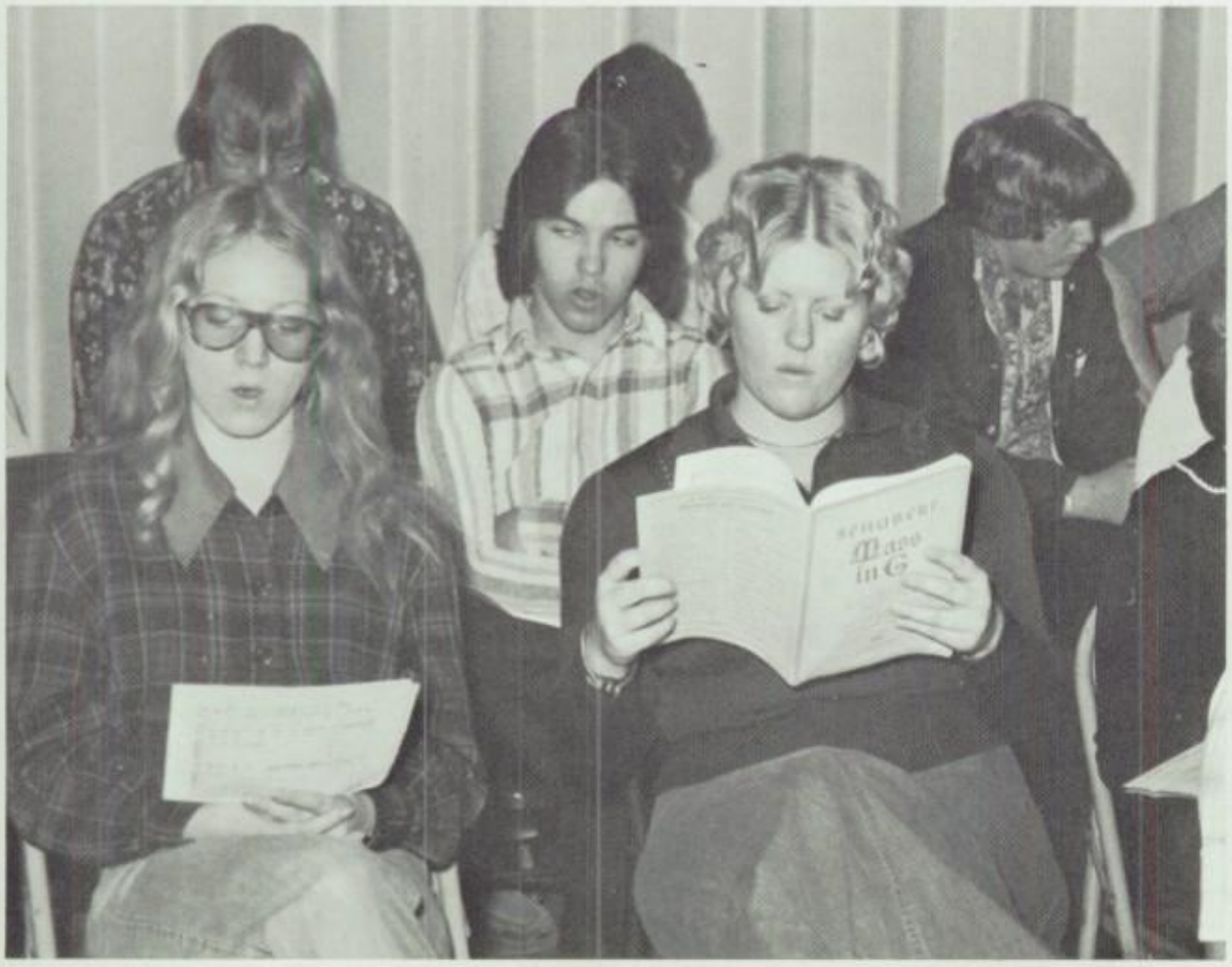
This year the Gibault Radio Club advised by Dave Dermody, attracted more members interested in the use of the citizen's band radio. At the spring festival members were able to contribute their electronic expertise to the outdoor sound system. Pages Sponsored by: Quality Auto Body--Dan & Bob Kellerman and Mr. & Mrs. Roy J. May.

UPPER FAR LEFT: Members of the Radio Club aided the Spring Festival sound crew by contributing their knowledge of electronics. UPPER LEFT: Pictures used in the school were furnished by the members of the photo club. UPPER CORNER: Inductees to the NHS will carry out the new activities of the society next year. FAR CENTER: Sr. Karen and Lori Keim choose negatives for publicity. CENTER: Illinois State Scholars were chosen in November according to their performance on the ACT. ABOVE: NHS members contributed many ideas for the society's new structure. LOWER LEFT: Jerry Sanders and other Radio Club members communicate with truck drivers. LEFT: Glenn Vogt, Mr. Haberl, and Lynn Schmitz draw up plans for a "new" NHS.

FAR RIGHT: Melissa Naumann and Jim Modglin carry candles as part of the Christmas Concert. RIGHT: Members of the freshman chorus sing "Six Pink Peppermints To Christmas". BOTTOM: SEPTET: Kris Kelley, Janet Whelan, Monica Zipfel, Mary Kish, Patti Stogner, JoAnn Gregson, Janet Wittenauer. CENTER: Anne Wittenauer and Denise Breitenstein rehearse their parts for the Sacred Music Concert. BOTTOM FAR RIGHT: Concert Chorale, Spetet, and the Advanced chorus combine to sing "Gloria in Excelsis Deo". Sponsored by: Mr. & Mrs. John Dorn and Ratz Motor co.

Choral Groups Win Honors At Music Festival

The 1975-76 choral groups were one of the best in Gibault's history. Almost all the groups, and some individual members, received superior ratings at the Monroe County Music Festival. The Advanced, Girls, and Freshman choruses provided entertainment throughout the year for private and public events. The Septet sang at meetings, weddings, and the Spring Festival. The biggest event of the year was the Sacred Music Concert of which Schuebert's MASS IN G was the best performed selection. Mrs. Janet Spencer directed the groups for the second year. She felt the students showed a genuine intrest in music and were much improved since her first year here.



Bands Entertain At Many Fund-Raising Events

The various bands at Gibault were very active throughout the year. The Dance Band played for many events, the Parents Party and Spring Festival. The large band provided background music and performed numbers of its own at the Festival. Sponsored by: Sports Page Inn and Illini Building & Improvement Co.

Captions. FAR LEFT BOTTOM: Gibault Dance Band: ROW 1 D. Kunkel, S. Reis, E. Diekemper, C. Reitz, J. Bleem, J. Kipping, K. Mechler, J. Hankammer. ROW 2 E. Diekemper, L. Degener, S. M. Horcher, J. Bleem, P. Crosson, M. Koester, D. Wittenauer. ROW 3 J. Chapman, A. Joshu, J. Hahn, M. Schmidt, K. Wetzler, J. Bolen, director. FAR LEFT TOP: J. Hankammer, a member of the newly created Pep Band, helps to raise the spirit at a basketball game. UPPER CENTER: ROW 1 K. Diehl, J. Niermann, E. Diekemper, K. Ostendorf, E. Diekemper, S. Bitzer, J. Krump. ROW 2 D. Breitenstein, S. Neirmann, D. Happy, A. Loerch, D. Hannon, J. Novack, D. Reinhold, M. Shea, B. Killey, J. Cahpman, K. Wilson, C. Henrichs, A. Glessner, B. Bequette, G. Bequette. ROW 3 J. Hankammer, D. Distler, B. Bleem, K. Mechler, D. Wittenauer, M. Koestner, J. Kipping, J. Hahn, A. Joshu, K. Wetzler, B. Grau, M. Schmidt, F. Schmidt, M. Larsen, R. Wink, K. Schroeder, L. Degener, S. Reis, C. Niermann, D. Kunkel, K. Ruby. ROW 4 Director J. Bolen, J. Bleem, J. Bleem, G. Kohnz, B. Blanford, B. Levery, C. Modglin, J. Stemmley, K. Reitz, D. Thompson, K. Kelley, S. Kopec, and K. Clerc, all members of the Pep Band. 1976 Gibault Band. CENTER: Members of the Pep Band, a new group at Gibault, played for all the home basketball games, adding spirit and of course, pep, to the crowd and players, ABOVE: Brian Gremp directs a band practice as part of a music theory assignment. Gremp directs a band practice as part of a music theory assignment. Sponsored by Sports Page Inn and Illini Building and Improvement co.

RIGHT: The Pep Club kept the enthusiam at the games high. BELOW: GAA members do Chinese sit-ups to develop their leg muscles. BOTTOM: Diane Etherton, Pep Club president, sells Betty Luecking a bus ticket. FAR RIGHT: The GAA raised money for the tennis courts. BOTTOM RIGHT: GAA girls build a pyramid during an activity period.

GAA Raises Money For Tennis Courts,

Pep Club Keeps Fans Enthusiastic About Games

Pep Club was an engergetic group, especially during the basketball season. They cheered the Hawks to victory at home and away games, and were responsible for operating the concession stand. Homecoming was the most important event this club sponsored. Club officers initiated activities such as bobby-sox day, class color day, and penny day for each day of Homecoming week. Although the dance was snowed out, the highlight of the week still came with the coronation of sophomore candidate, Joan Bruss.

The girl's enthusiasm for GAA began with earning money by selling red and white tube socks to the athletes. Later the girls held a bakesale in the cafeteria. At the awards banquet the money was given to Fr. Hustedde to pay for the tennis courts. Activities this year included bowling, hiking, and stunt exercising. To receive extra points the girls worked in pairs on their own time trying to build up 75, the number needed for a pin. Sponsored by: Mr. & Mrs. Albert Kish and Mr. & Mrs. Vincent Ruby.

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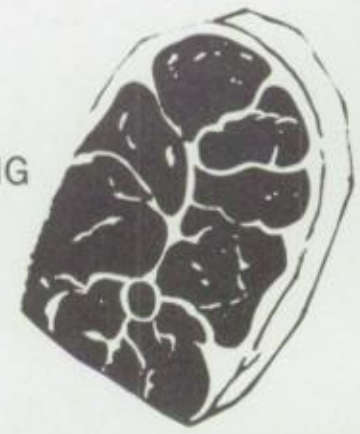

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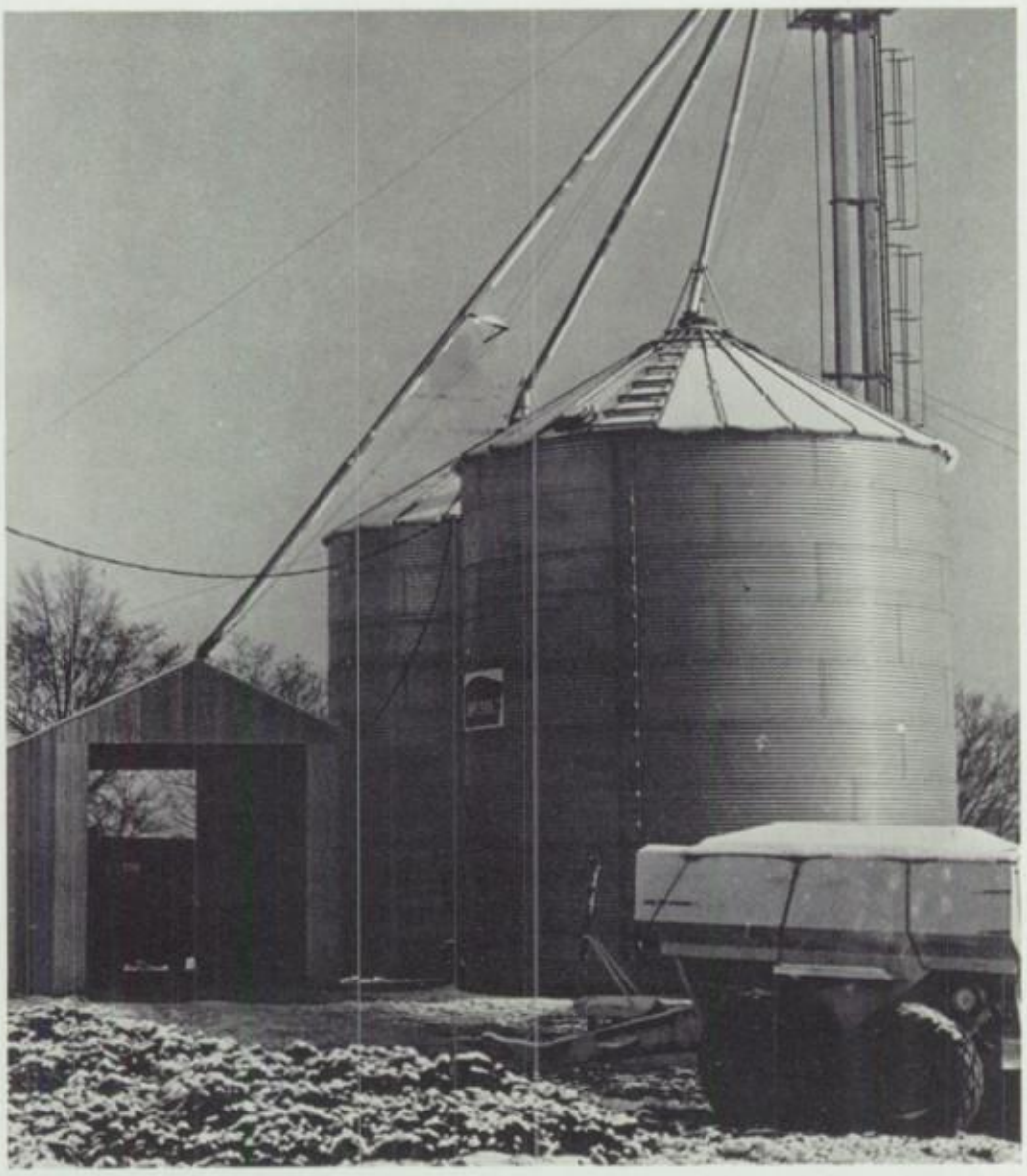

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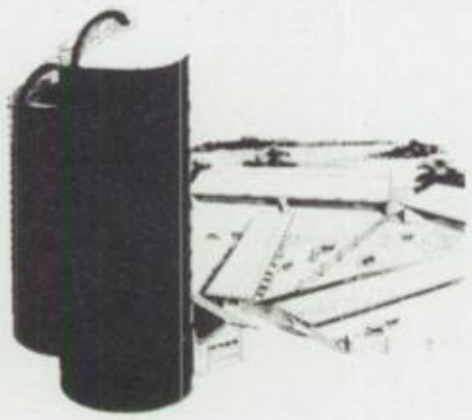

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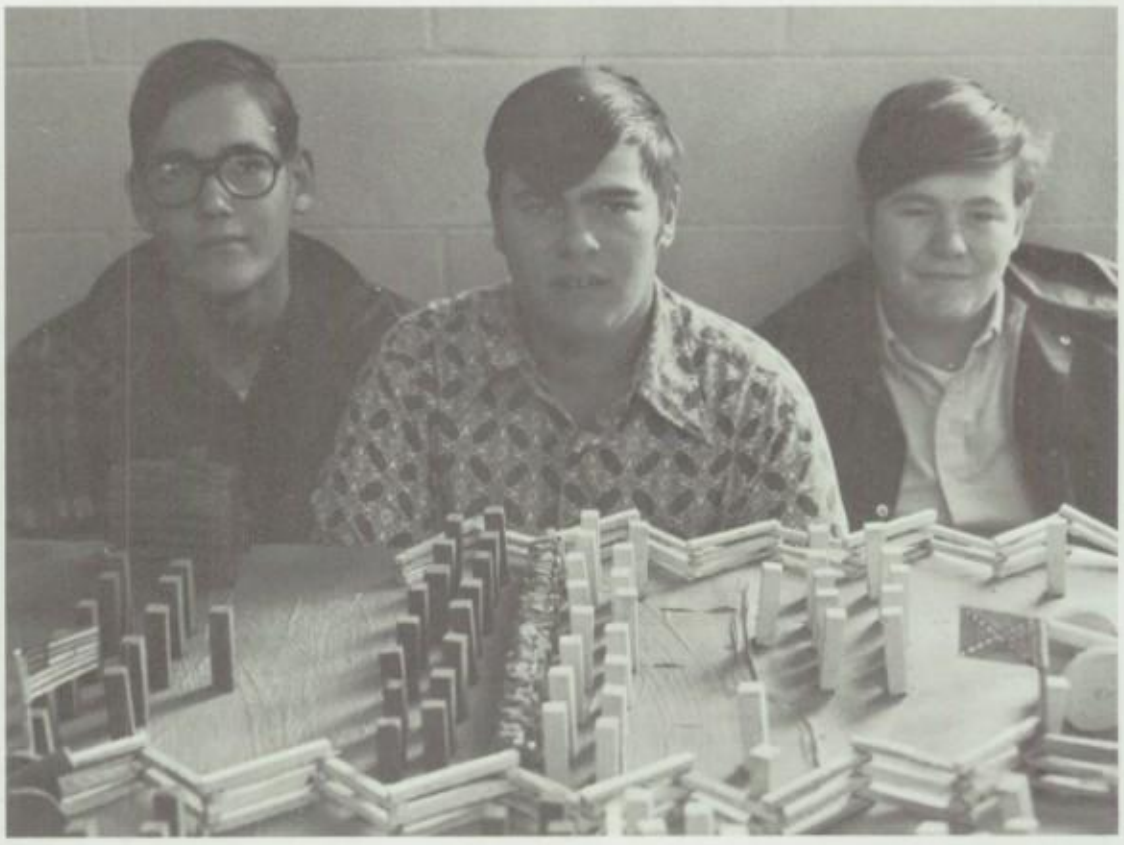

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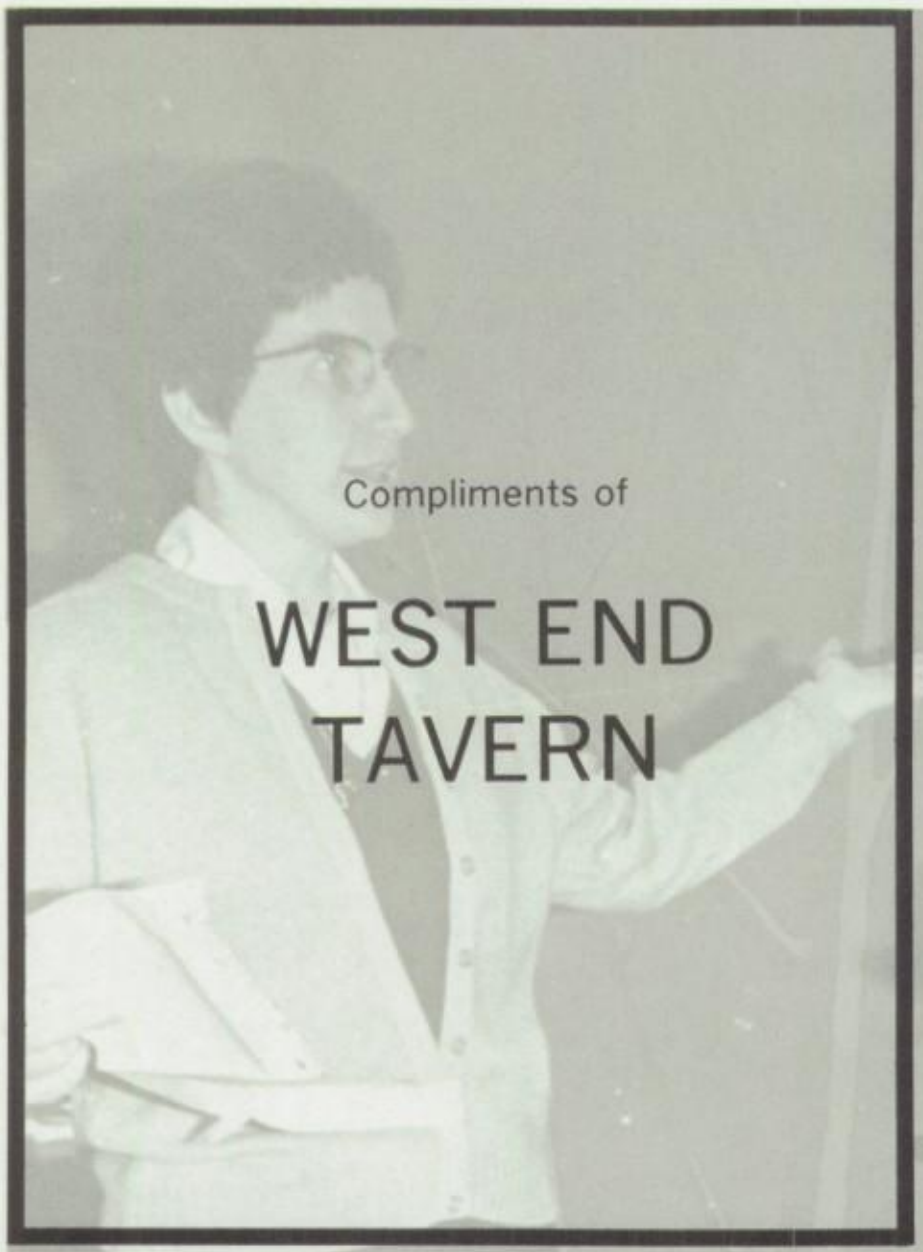
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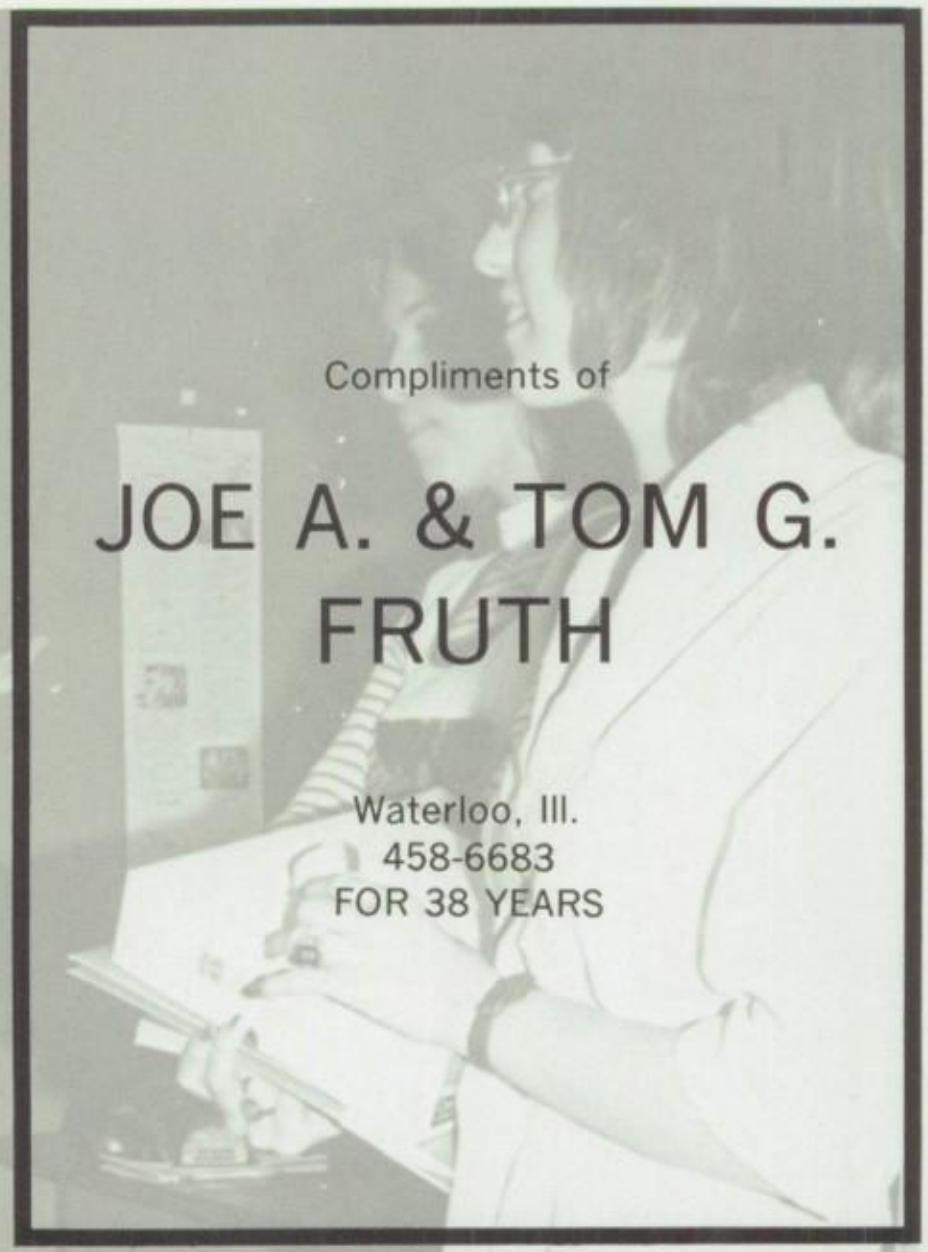
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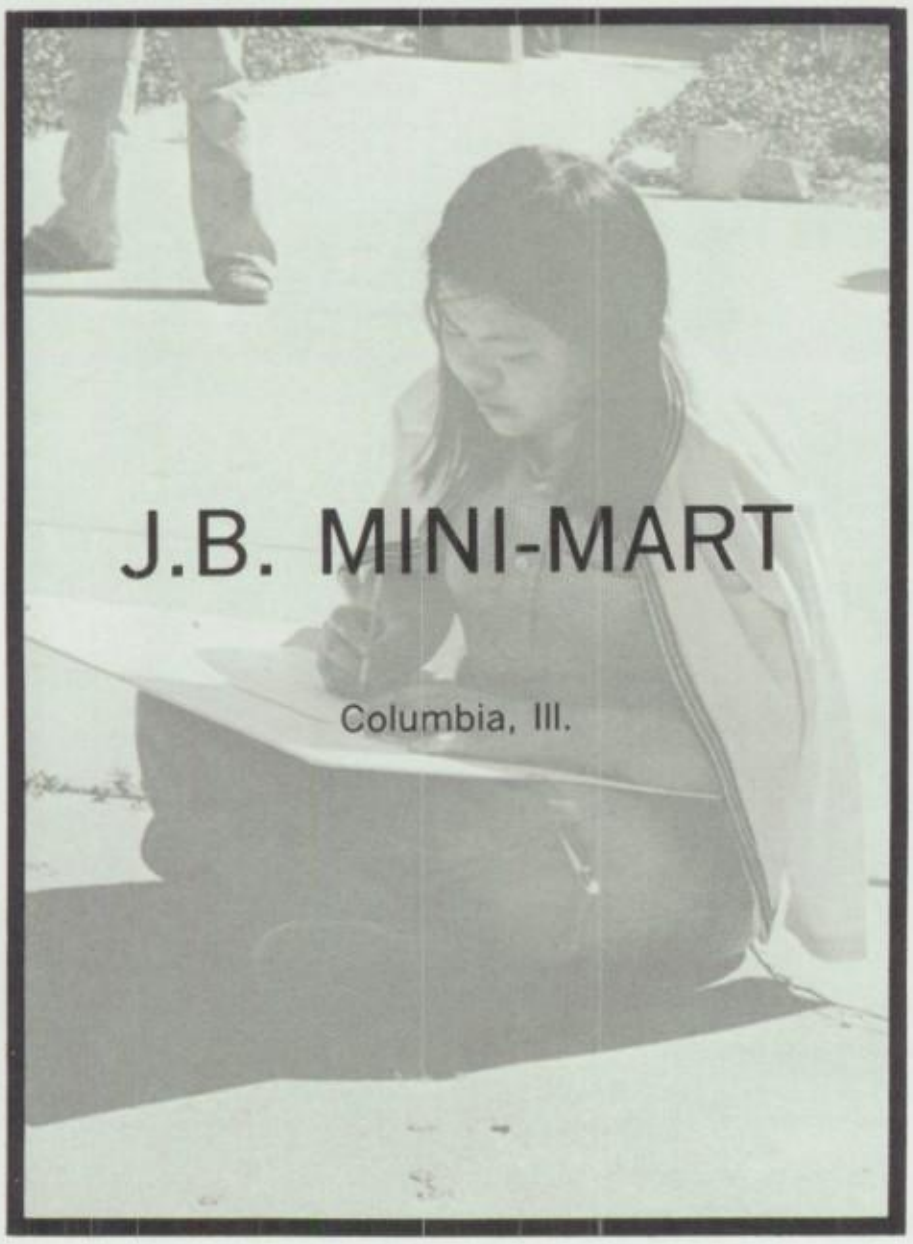

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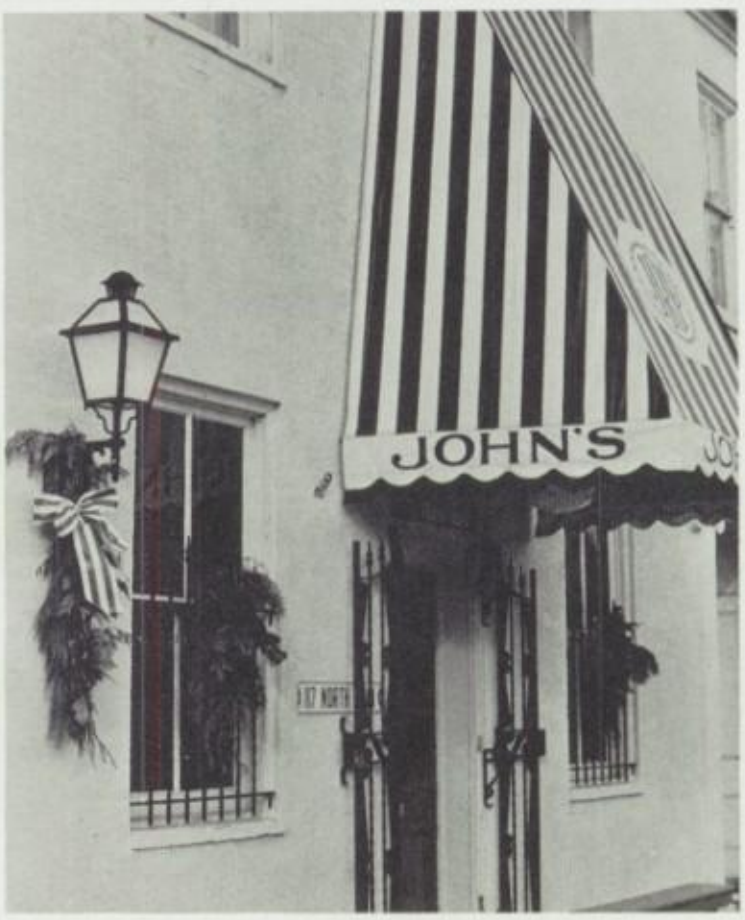

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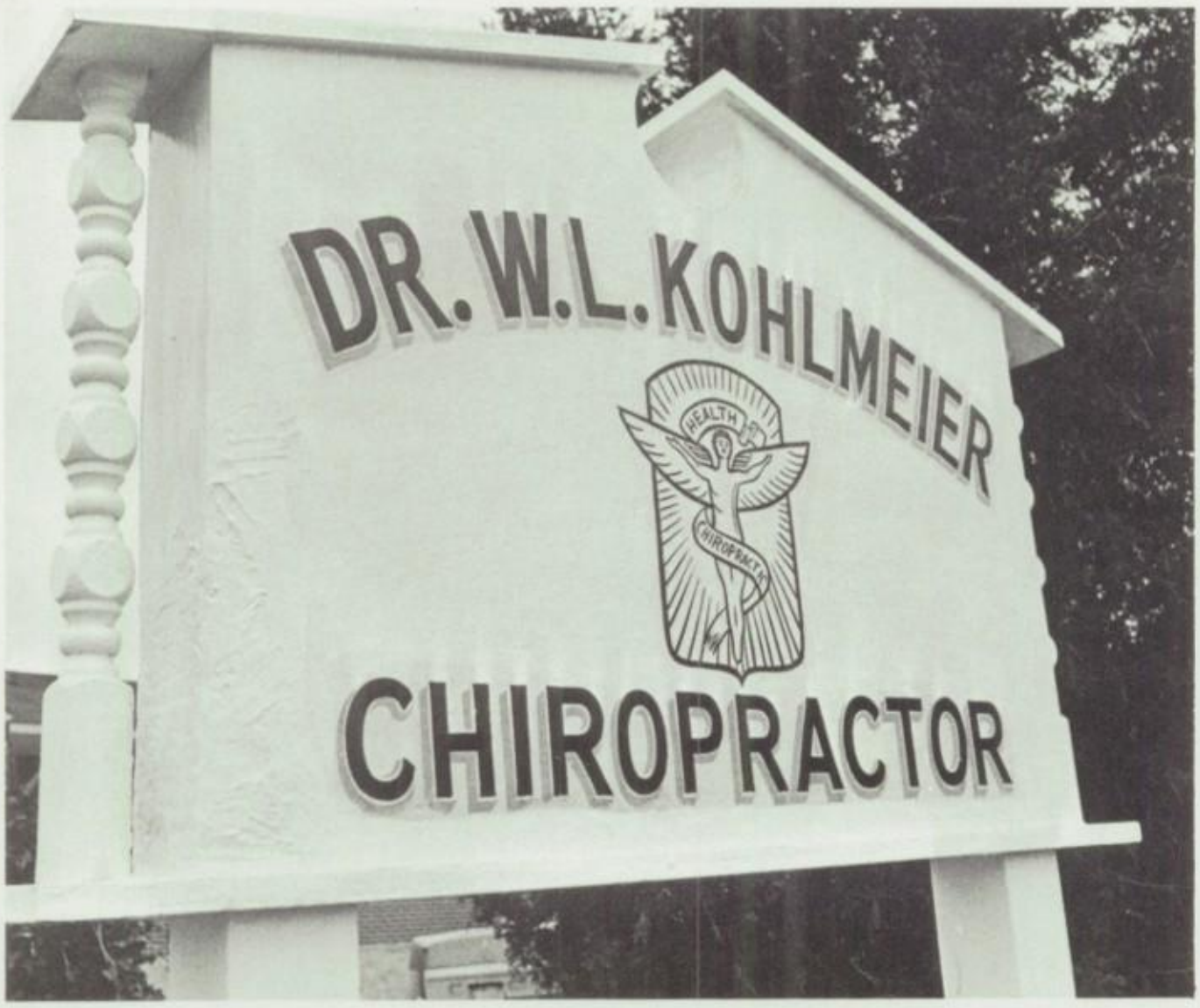

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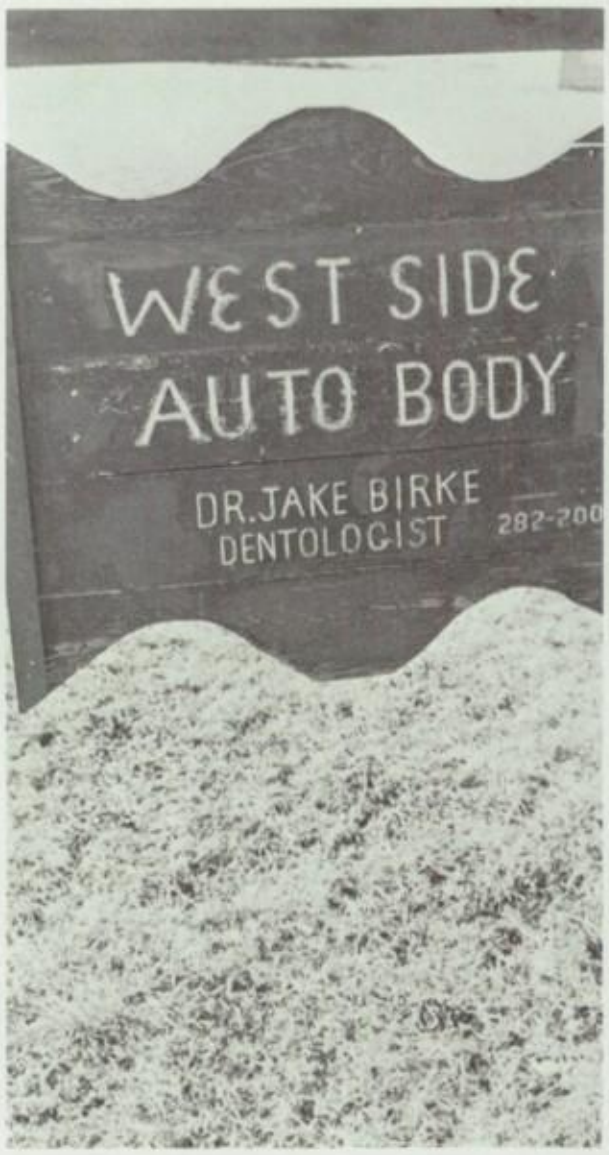

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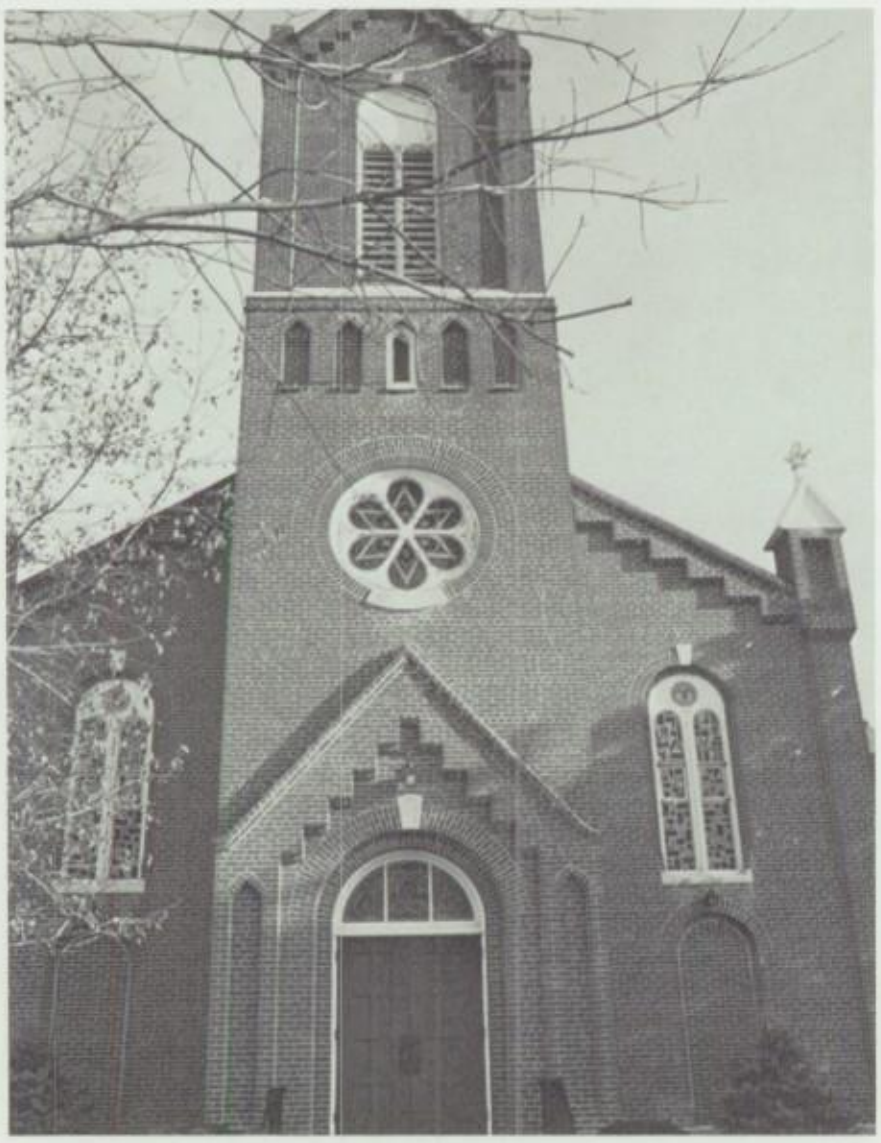

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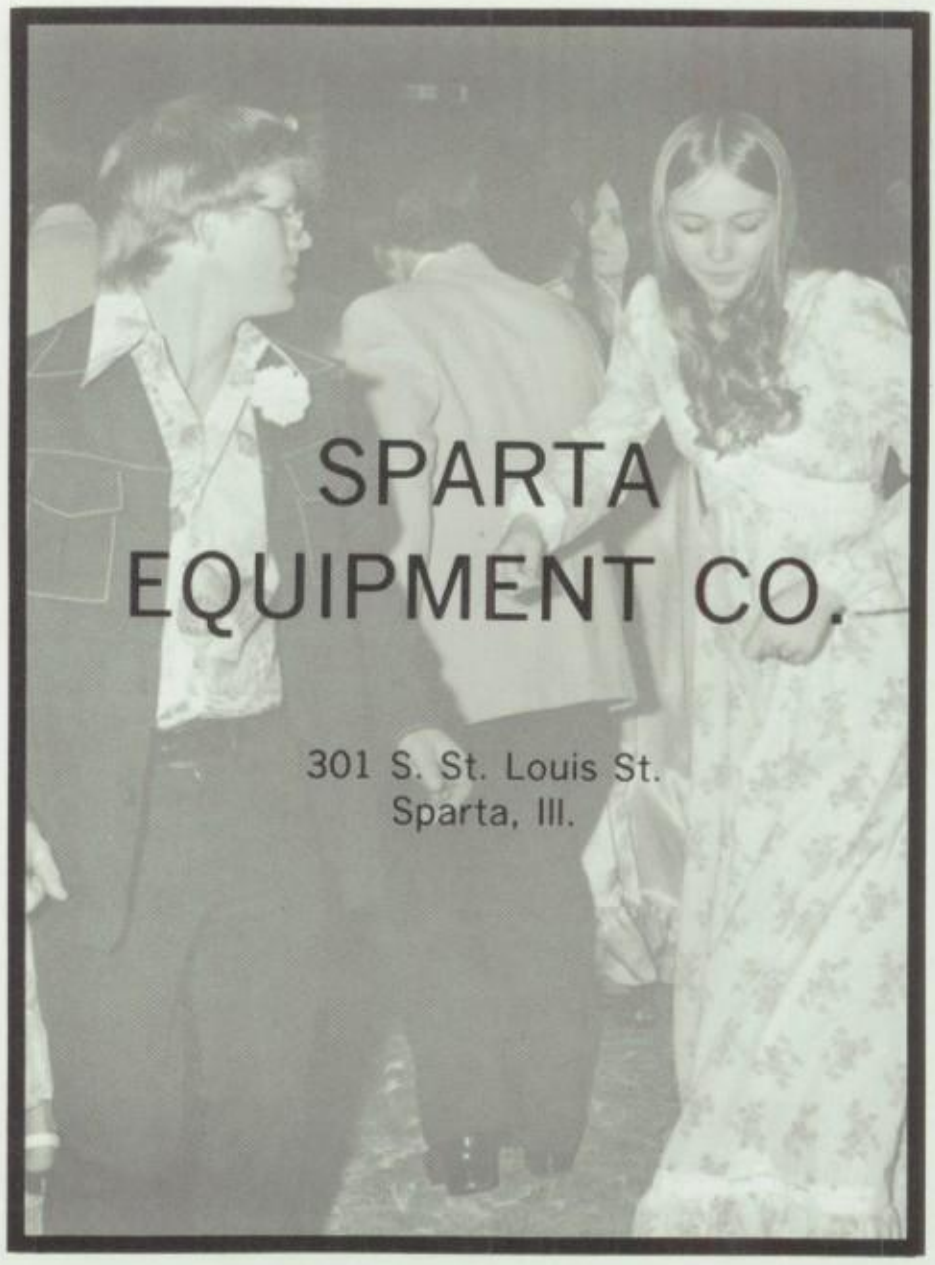

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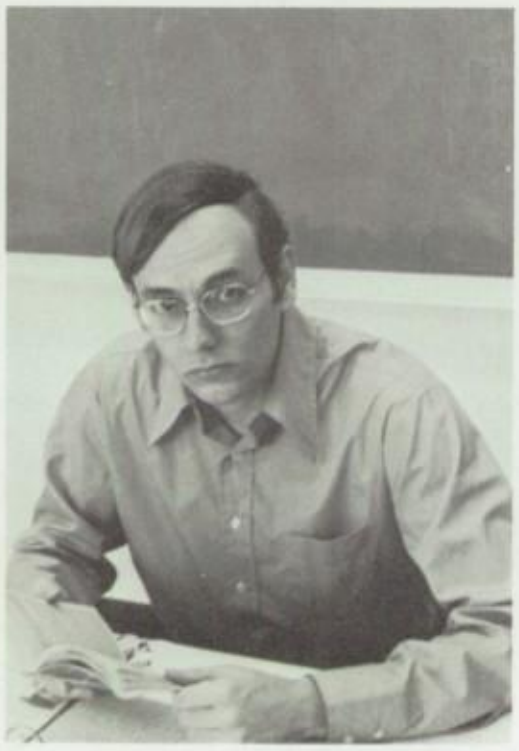

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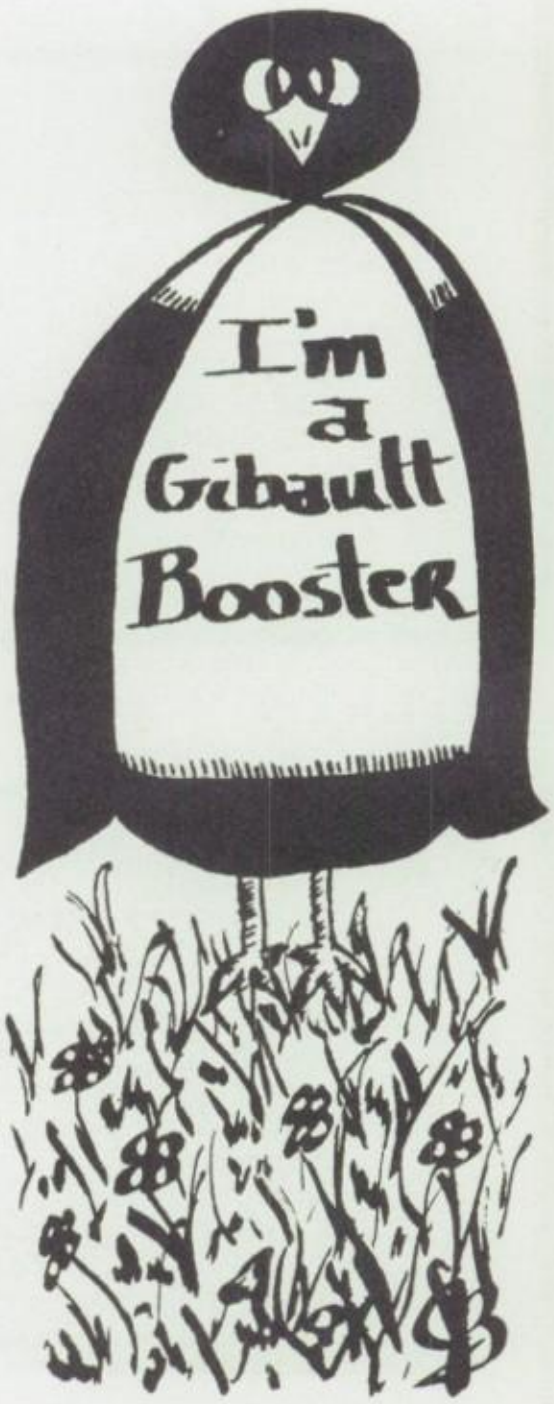

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